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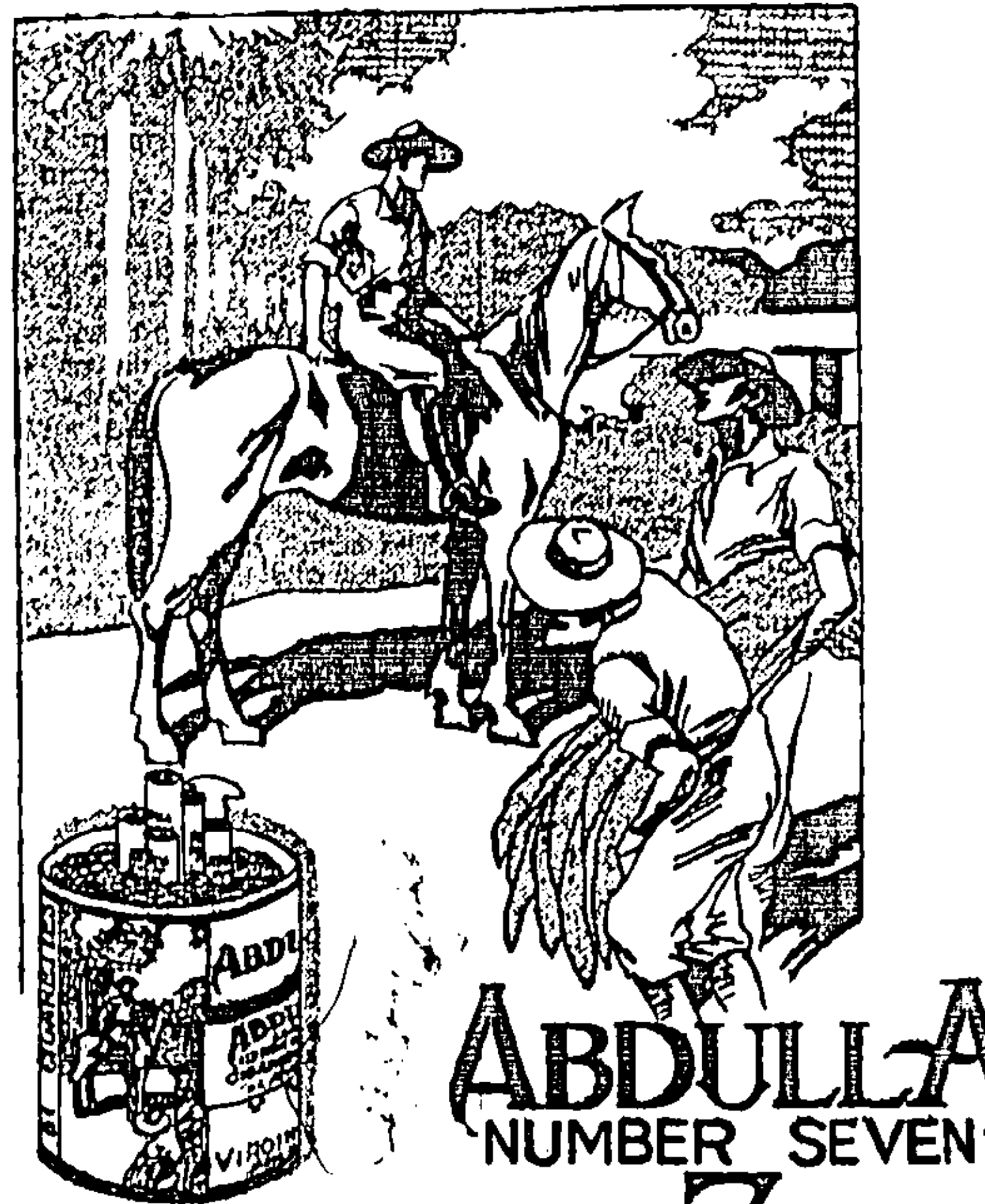
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MR. HO KOM-TONG DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mr. Ho Kom-tong, CBE, one of the Colony's oldest and best-known Chinese residents, died yesterday after a lengthy illness at the age of 84.

Mr. Ho, a brother of Sir Robert Ho Tung, died at his residence, 7, Lower Castle Road.

Mr. Ho was a Justice of the Peace of Hong Kong. The order of St. John of Jerusalem was conferred upon him by His late Majesty King George V at Buckingham Palace in 1924, and he was later promoted to become a Knight of Grace of the same order. He received the OBE in 1928, and in 1941 he was awarded the C.B.E. He was also the predecessor of several Chinese decorations. By the late President Yuen Shih-kai he was honoured with the order of the Chia Ho (Excellent Crop), Third Class; the second class of the same order was given by President Fung Kwok-chang, while the Second class of the Order with Brilliance came to him from President Hsu Shi-chang.

The Red Cross Association of China honoured him with a medal. A close friend of Mr. Ho Kom-tong has given the following description of his career:

There are two kinds of philanthropists recognizable in the world. The first is a person who is generous in giving money to the poor while the second is a person who makes personal efforts in the direction of charity besides giving his money. The story of Mr. Ho will show him to be in the second



MR. HO KOM-TONG, CBE.

was used to build dykes and embankments to prevent further misfortune.

The story of the typhoon of 1906 is a sorrowful page in the history of Hong Kong. Those who lived on the sea suffered the most. Mr. Ho, with the aid of the Hong Kong Government, raised \$1,500,000 in a short time. Besides the relief work, the remainder of \$630,000 was submitted to the Hong Kong Government for use in the construction of the Yumatt Breakwater.

(The whole expense of the construction amounted to \$2,500,000.)

When the plague visited Hong Kong in 1904, Mr. Ho contributed \$50,000, and at the same time distributed medicines to the inhabitants.

In 1904, the plague was again in action, and the plan of establishing a public dispensary was suggested by Mr. Ho. After the plague was entirely cleared, Mr. Ho established the Kau-U-Pong public dispensary.

As the inhabitants in Hong Kong and Kowloon increased rapidly, Mr. Ho realized the urgent need of a public hospital. With the aid of his colleagues, he founded the Kwong Wah Hospital in Kowloon.

He contributed one half of the cost of the building and institute of the Helena May.

St. John Ambulance

In 1915, Mr. Ho organized the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hong Kong. For 12 years he was sole supporter of the organisation, and within that period, not less than \$150,000 of his money was spent.

Mr. Ho was one of the original promoters of the "Bazaar" Fund for widows and orphans and hitherto, hundreds of poor people have benefited from this benevolence.

The custom of Chinese public cemeteries in Hong Kong in that seven years after the burial, the remains should be removed and buried elsewhere else. In 1911, Mr. Ho was one of the original members of the committee to apply for a permanent cemetery for the Chinese.

Mr. Ho was one of the founders of the Hong Kong Confucius Society; committee member for the reconstruction of the Ellis Kadoorie School, and one of the founders of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Ho had a deep appreciation of art in many forms. He had profound knowledge in the growing of flowers and vegetables and (Continued At Foot of Next Col.)

Personalities

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mullion, Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick, Mr. J. Barwick, Mr. P. J. Sanders, and Mr. S. T. Williamson left Hong Kong for Sydney yesterday. They travelled by BOAC to Singapore first.

Mr. H. S. G. Chauvin, Mr. A. de Castro and Mr. Trilakadas left Colombo yesterday via Singapore by BOAC.

Among those who left the Colony for Singapore by BOAC yesterday were Mr. C. E. Terry, Mr. Fung Hoi-chiu, Mr. F. M. Hunt, Capt. A. M. McCulloch, Mr. C. Ramakrishnan, Mr. H. R. Anakkota, Mr. M. Warden, Mr. E. Jaffer, Major J. M. Calvert, Mr. C. L. Edwards, Brig. M. S. K. Jannell, Lt. Col. T. Hindon, Cdr. J. H. Carver, Miss S. L. Lee, Mr. A. De Castro and Miss C. De Castro.

Arrivals from Singapore by CPA yesterday included Mrs. Goh So-kwan, Messrs. A. W. H. Senayake, M. Sang Chong Prasol, and V. A. Gerald.

Messrs. Huang Chaulie, Su Chin-chuen and Ng Ah-chuar arrived in the Colony yesterday by CPA from Bangkok.

Mr. Milton Stuart Shaw left Hong Kong for Paris by Air France yesterday.

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. H. Wedden, Mr. and Mrs. K. G. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. V. Krasovsky, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Liu Ping-tung, Messrs. H. E. Jones, P. J. Lowry, W. T. A. Jefferson, J. A. Faustino, C. de Souza, C. P. Lin, and S. S. S. S.

New arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Messrs. J. F. Reist, A. H. Rosen, J. J. Lamer, J. O. Morgan, and C. Benitez.

Mr. B. Mellor, Registrar of the Hong Kong University, will address the Y's Men's Club on Thursday at the Roof Garden long Kong Hotel, at 12.45 p.m. His subject will be "The University."

Three American pilots of Civil Air Transport left yesterday for the United States on a three-month holiday after having been in China from five to seven years. The trio, who left via Philippine Airlines, were all former United States Marine pilots. They are Captain Norman Schwarz of Louisville, Kentucky, Colonel James Campbell of Bradford, Pennsylvania, and Colonel John Drexler of Somerset, Kentucky.

Mr. Paul M. Paulsen, Executive of Luna Park, arrived from the United States yesterday by a Philippine Airlines aircraft. He was met at the airport by Mr. J. Richardson and Mr. Charlie Gray.

Mr. Paulsen, who is on a business trip, is also an executive of the Standard Rubber Company, the Davis Corporation Company, the Hercules Equipment and Rubber Company and the Hercules Import and Export Company, all of which are in San Francisco.

Alleged robbers in court

The three unemployed Chinese who appeared before Mr. A. D. Scholles at Central on Wednesday on a charge of possession of arms without a licence, were charged yesterday with a further charge. The men were Wu Chan-cheng, aged 20, Chin Kit-ling, aged 25, and Wu Wei-chun, aged 25. They were arrested in Room 41, of the Kai Fat Boarding House, 41, Connaught Road, Central, on Monday.

They were alleged to have had in their possession one .38 Smith and Wesson revolver and five rounds of ammunition, one Mauser automatic pistol and nine rounds.

Sub-Inspector Forester said that an additional charge of armed robbery on January 7 was preferred against the accused. They were alleged to have robbed Chan Yee-kam at Canal Road. One of the gold watches, one gold bracelet and a handbag containing children's clothing.

Inspector Forester successfully applied for this week's remand for further Police inquiries.

for many years he was President and one of the judges of the Hong Kong Flower and Horticulture shows, while his own displays were admired by all. He greatly enjoyed the Chinese opera. He was a collector of Chinese curios and his collection of porcelain, bronzes and ivory has won the genuine admiration of world travellers and of all who have been privileged to see it.

The late Mr. Ho is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, his only and elder brother, Sir Robert Ho Tung, a large number of sons and daughters, grand and great-grand children, many nephews and other relatives. The late Mr. Ho was a prominent figure in local society, having been one of the first of the Hong Kong Derby with his President Hall in the late twenties.

Rush to get rich quick



Sales of tickets for the Big Sweep on Tuesday at Happy Valley, which for weeks past had been proceeding at a slower rate than usual, increased tremendously yesterday when the above picture was taken at the Jockey Club offices in Telephone House. Extra Police had to be called out to control the crowds which jammed the staircases and the corridor. At 1 p.m. yesterday, 1,300,000 tickets had been sold for the Big Sweep, which means a first prize of over \$600,000. Sales will continue tomorrow. ("China Mail" photo).

Inoculation compulsory for all dogs in Colony

Under the provisions of the Dogs and Cats Regulations, 1950, all dogs must be inoculated against rabies before they can be licensed by the Police.

A spokesman of the Urban Council said yesterday that with regard to the inoculation of dogs of Government centres it is intended to maintain two permanent centres throughout the year.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Succour to the needy

Sir,—May I express the appreciation of the St. Teresa's Catholic Actionists to those many kind people who gave and are giving so generously to the victims of the recent Kowloon City conflagration in our drive for food, old clothes and money contributions. Owing to the fact that we did not note the names of the individuals whom we approached yesterday, we take this opportunity of thanking them all through the medium of your columns.

The Catholic Actionists obtained quite a large quantity of clothes, some canned food and rice, and donations in cash amounting to \$155.00. These will be distributed to the 30 and more women and children at present cared for at the Maryknoll Convent School at the junction of Waterloo Road and Boundary Street and the dozen or so men and boys accommodated at the St. Teresa's Catholic Actionists' Hall.

We will indeed appreciate further donations of clothes, food or money to aid this group of grief-stricken people from your many readers. If it is not asking too much, these contributions may be sent to Rev. Fr. C. M. Orlando at St. Teresa's Church, Waterloo Road, Kowloon; or a note sent to him telling us where we may call to collect these contributions will find its way to all at the kind contributors' address.

B. F. POMEROY,
President.

Speeding offence in King's Road

Appearing before Mr. Hing-shing Lee at Central on charges of speeding and driving without a licence, Wu Shui-ling, aged 37, was fined a total of \$400.

Sub-Inspector W. Eggleston of the Traffic Department said that the defendant was driving private car No. 1702 along King's Road at 7.59 p.m. on January 6.

He was travelling at a great speed and was followed by Police Constable 2736 in his motor-cycle. The car's speed was between 40 and 45 miles per hour. The Police Constable stopped the car at the junction of the Tsim Tung Street and Kai Hong Street.

When asked for his licence, continued Inspector W. Eggleston, the defendant claimed that he had lost it. However, he produced a licence which was under the same name but did not have his photograph on it. The licence was not valid for 1950.

WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The wedding of Jack Cousin, former secretary of the Havelock Terrace, Kowloon Dock, and Miss Lily Lee, of 192 Gloucester Road, second floor, took place yesterday at the Registrar's Office in the presence of W. R. Bailey and Miss Leo Man-ling.

ART EXHIBIT

An exhibition of oil paintings and watercolours by Mr. Yee Bon will be held at the Hotel Cecil from Wednesday to Saturday.

It is intended that the Government and Lady Grantham will attend the exhibition at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

They will also attend Mr. Luis Chan's eighth one-man exhibition at the Hotel Cecil at 1.30 p.m. tomorrow.

T.O.C. H. CONCERT

A concert of recorded classical music will be presented at Talbot House (Yee Ho) 55, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30 p.m. today.

The programme will include Overture, "Sankamla" (Rosen), Selections from the Operas of (Johann Strauss), "Andante" (Grieg), "Concerto" (Brahms), "The Joy of Spring" (Chen), "Concerto" (Mozart), and "The Joy of Spring" (Chen).

London's message to fire victims

The Governor has received a message from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, expressing sympathy with the victims of Wednesday's big Kowloon City fire.

An old offender gaoled

Described by the police as an incorrigible roofer and car thief, Kwong Tong received sentences totalling two years' hard labour from the roof of Kowloon yesterday when he was brought before him on four counts of larceny and one count of breach of deportation order.

Defendant was charged that on January 7 he stole two sheets from the roof of 45 Prince Edward Road. He also stole one bed sheet belonging to Mr. J. Platt from the same address.

Defendant, who had several previous convictions for larceny and was deported for life, was released on Friday on the roof of 45 Kimberley Road.

Decrees nisi granted

Two decrees nisi were granted at the Supreme Court yesterday by Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice.

Elizabeth Mary Main, of 124 Waterloo Road, Kowloon, petitioned for the dissolution of her marriage to John Leslie Robertson Main, of the same address, on grounds of cruelty.

The petitioner, who was also awarded the custody of three children, was represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, KC, instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

The other decree granted was in respect of Irene Edith Paulie, of 4B Hanks Road, who asked for a divorce against David Anthony Paulie, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, on grounds of adultery.

Mr. John McNeill, on the instructions of Mr. Armstrong, appeared on behalf of the petitioner.

Court Brevities

A fine of \$250 was imposed on Li Kai-ming, marine goods store owner of 606 Canton Road, by the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, KC, instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, for failure to make an entry in his books of a transaction of some land and copper wire.

A charge of larceny by finding against Tse Yung, Telephone Company channel cable, was withdrawn when the prosecution offered no evidence.

It was alleged that Tse Yung, who dug up the lead and wire in Zen Chan Street on Friday, sold them for \$50 to the marine dealer who failed to make an entry in his books.

JANUARY

(December 21—January 19)

Something happens to change your ideas about 1950 arrangements. If money needed for new schemes, you get the promise of it before end of week.

FEBRUARY

(January 20—February 18)

Lively week socially and useful contacts made towards the end. But health problems may be intensified Monday and Tuesday or you have to revise your usual routine. A good week for starting a new job or launching a fresh venture.

MARCH

(February 19—March 20)

A friend's co-operation tides you over a difficult patch mid-week. New undertakings should be successfully launched before Saturday. Ready money is a little scarce but your credit should be good and business prospects improving rapidly.

APRIL

(March 21—April 20)

Whistle-blowing up far-reaching changes but be careful about your associates. Better to act on your own initiative than to be tied up with unreliable people. Women friends probably more helpful than men.

MAY

(April 21—May 20)

Financially a most outstanding week. If legal business on hand successful issue in next few days. If planning new contacts, satisfactory results arranged than you expected. But dependants or employees inclined to make trouble first half of week.

JUNE

(May 21—June 20)

Loyalty and substantial backing from the family and good news from a distance this month. Pious period for anything except speculation. If travel plans in hand, difficulties smoothed out on Thursday.

JULY

(June 21—July 20)

Your closest associate on the verge of an important venture in family changes, get under way much to do in next few days but you can be sure of family backing and a married, of-in-law's co-operation. Not propitious for travel or for travel plans.

AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)

Worth while making an attempt to revise your business methods or bring your routine up to date. After Wednesday personal contacts important particularly with foreigners or socialites. Financial problems fade out during most of the week.

Heart Trouble Caused by High Blood Pressure

If you have pains around the heart, palpitation, dizziness, headache, loss of sleep and loss of appetite, or if you feel from poor blood circulation, energy, indigestion, worry and fear, your trouble is probably caused by high blood pressure. This is a mysterious disease that causes more deaths than cancer, because the symptoms are so common and usually mistaken for some simple ailment. If you suffer from any of these symptoms, your life may be endangered by heart trouble or a paralytic stroke. You should start treatment at once. The very first dose of Mynein, a blood pressure medicine, reduces high blood pressure in a few days. Get Mynein from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel well and strong or money back on return of empty package.



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WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By L.H. Newell

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)

Prospects of "rancher's luck" or of a windfall early in week. Later business changes work out better than expected. If youngsters in the family, one of them successful or in the news.

OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)

Much of your time and thought will be given to house and home this week. Certain changes make for a more comfortable existence or you introduce a new personality into your household. Propitious for speculation and for social matters.

NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 23)

Outstanding week for correspondence and new arrangements. Something fixed up about Wednesday that is likely to prove permanent. If contemplating a house move or property deal, go ahead end of week.

DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)

Fortunate week financially, particularly if you are interested in advertising or publicity. The family rally round, brothers and sisters especially helpful. Better be economical about entertainment expenses and cautious about speculation.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a year of life in which good and all fortune are pretty evenly mingled. On the one hand, you will have money problems and some heart ache connected with the family and old friends.

On the other hand, there is a great deal of happiness and some personal success, awaiting you this year. If you find your present environment unbecoming, your present job intolerable, try and be patient. A chance to make a break should come about September and at that date you could start out on new ventures with courage and optimism.

If you try to make reshuffles before then, you would probably be frustrated. It may be difficult to meet all necessary expenses connected with the family or with property. An old person in your circle, possibly a woman, is likely to make heavy claims upon you. There is some possibility of a bereavement among the older generation before the end of the year.

After September the outlook brightens and you are likely to get a better job and possibly go overseas. Incidentally, travel would be both profitable and enjoyable if undertaken towards the end of the year.

Although family relationships are not likely to run an even course this year, you will find all the happiness you seek among new and talented friends. An idealistic link-up is probable about October but, if single, don't expect it to lead to marriage just yet. If already married, domestic life enters upon a new and happier plane.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16: FOR MOST OF US: Better not put important interviews or make hard and fast arrangements. Appointments cancelled or plans fall through both about mid-day and during the evening. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Cream, 1 Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: This coming year of life will prove a test of your native tact and per-

severance. If you can keep your head and your temper be tolerant of the whims of friends and relatives, all will be well. If you are easily provoked, anxious for a change, you may do something that you regret later on.

Difficult months are likely to be February, April and June. After that life should be a little calmer and there is no reason why desired changes should not go through easily just before Christmas. A close relative, possibly a woman, will try to break away about the middle of the year. A younger man is also likely to be temperamental or critical. On the whole it will be an even period for those who don't expect link-ups made this year to be long-lived. You must look for happiness and comfort in existing ties rather than new ones. If you have youngsters in your family or much to do with children, you will find great happiness through them in the next few months.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17: FOR MOST OF US: Don't be in a hurry to get new schemes or prospects this afternoon and evening than during the early part of the day. Get advice and backing if possible from older people. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Salt brown, 8 Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: All's well this year provided you can take life calmly and slowly. It will be fatal to be in a hurry, to aim at quick profits during the next few months. Better get your ideas in order and make plans that are likely to mature about September.

The latter half of the year will be propitious for new and important schemes. But in anything on hand during 1950 you will be wise to get the backing of older and more responsible people. If you need money look to the family or family friends. It should be possible to make a useful property investment or to renew an association of many years standing.

In some way travel and settling down will be connected this year. You make a journey or far reaching change that brings you back to old scenes. Be cautious about money matters.

There is some danger that you would get involved in ruinous speculation or be deceived by unscrupulous advisers early this year. But if you are level-headed and sensible, you should find that this has been a profitable period and that you have been able to save. New friends and acquaintances are likely to let you down in 1950, but you can put complete faith in old friends and in members of your own family. If now unmarried, the re-appearance of a former sweetheart may lead to marriage towards Christmas.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18: FOR MOST OF US: Today's New Moon should bring fresh hope to many people. Startling news probable but some prospect that long-standing difficulties clear up. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Bright yellow, 1 Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a new phase of life. Changes during 1950 will completely revolutionize your mode of living. It would be foolish to shrink from them or to refuse to take chances during the coming 12 months. One reshuffle likely to materialize during the next few weeks. It will probably entail change of residence and possible travel abroad.

If you get a chance to go overseas, or even a temporary one, might be wise to do so. Go all out for new experience in 1950. You won't lose financially this year, but on the other hand you won't make a great deal of money. Instead, do your best to make useful contacts and to build up a reputation for yourself.

If you have been out of sorts lately, a marked improvement is likely during the next month. But whatever state your health has been in during the past year, you are likely to get new mental vigour and energy in 1950.

This will be a time of much movement and social activity and you make many new friends. But don't expect link-ups made this year to be long-lived. You must look for happiness and comfort in existing ties rather than new ones. If you have youngsters in your family or much to do with children, you will find great happiness through them in the next few months.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19: FOR MOST OF US: Excellent business day and particularly suitable for quick deals or deals collecting. Evening hours propitious for personal affairs and especially for tete-a-tetes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Wine red, 3 Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: However difficult the past few months may have been, don't worry. You can be sure that 1950 will make a change in your fortunes. Both old and new schemes bring in money this year. "Luck" is on your side during the next few months. You will probably benefit through windfalls, through speculation, through some quickly developing and quickly completed scheme.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20: FOR MOST OF US: Changeover in the week's program likely to work well and propitious for social life and for experimental business schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Leaf green, 4 Emerald.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: This year of life that begins today should coincide with a new and more interesting phase of your existence. It should be possible in 1950 to bring about changes in your life that you have long planned and to achieve personal success such as you have not experienced for a long time.

So don't worry about the past and don't be too serious about present claims. Trench out to make useful contacts and as quickly as you can. Something should happen between now and June to make a complete reshuffle possible. Money problems should fade into the background, partly because you benefit through windfalls and partly through the generosity and kindness of friends. Although you may be doubtful at first about taking up fresh work, there is no need to worry. Income from new ventures should rapidly become satisfactory.

Some travel is possible and a house move is exceedingly likely. Throughout 1950 you will be contacting interesting people and making new acquaintances of every type. Socially, it is a year of interesting possibilities.

Your personal life will re-orientate within the next few months and a new friendship may make a great difference to your outlook. In some way young people do you a good turn or a younger relative brings much happiness. If now single, engagement may come about at very short notice this year.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21: FOR MOST OF US: Peaceful and easy day; make the most of it. If working, rely upon good-will and tact. If at leisure, plan some festivity. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pastel shades, 6 Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: 1950 may not be an eventful year but

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1950

Saturday 14th, Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Saturday 21st January

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 noon, each day. The time interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are 10 races each day (50 in all). The "Pearce Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the third day, Tuesday, 17th January, Race No. 6, at 3.30 p.m.

Through tickets at \$100 each may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.50 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup." The latter may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting. NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10. per day, including tax; for Ladies or Gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE. The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3. each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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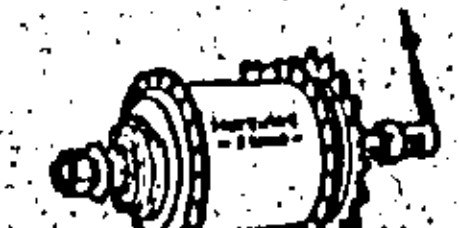
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RUSSIA DICKERING
FOR MILITARY
BASES IN CHINA

London, January 13.

Information reaching a major Western power from Moscow says Russia is dickering for new naval and military bases in Communist China. A qualified informant, reporting this tonight, stressed that information may be speculative in view of the highly secret nature of the current Sino-Soviet Moscow talks.

However, officials representing two other Western powers and there is good reason to believe that a defence, trade and friendship pact between Russia and Communist China is in its way.

The informant, who spoke of new bases, would neither pinpoint the source of his information nor give any details of the report. He did say that if his information is correct, Russia would have much firmer military control over China than she has today.

Relations between Russia and China now are governed by a 1945 pact entered into by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist regime. It was written after the United States and Britain had agreed to its principles at the Yalta conference.

Its terms made Russia joint owner of the South and Eastern Manchurian railways, Port Arthur, a joint Sino-Soviet naval base, and Dairen, a free port. Many Manchurian and Outer Mongolian communities also were placed under joint control.

Moscow radio announced about two months ago that the Peking regime intended "to review all treaties concluded by the Kuomintang (Nationalists) with for-

tain powers and, according to their nature, revise, amend or re-recognise them."

Taiph's charge

Meanwhile, the Chinese Nationalists charged tonight that Russian advisers are aiding Communist preparations for an invasion of the Chusan Islands, important Nationalist air base.

The Nationalist Defence Ministry, which made the allegation, said each Red division assigned to the assault has four Russian officers assigned to it. No other details were supplied.

The Chusan (Chushan) archipelago lies about 100 miles South of Shanghai but the nearest islands are only seven miles from the mainland.

The Communists twice in the last year have attempted to conquer or neutralise the islands but have taken only two insignificant reports near shore. Pro-Nationalist reports said they were bloodily repelled on the others.

Chusan, main island of the group, is 20 miles long and 10 miles wide. On it is a Nationalist airfield from which increasingly heavy raids have been made on Shanghai and other Red holdings.

Hangchow base

The Nationalists say the harbour of Hangchow, on the mainland West of the Chusan, is crowded with some 2,000 junks assembled for a new attempt to knock out the troublesome base.

Nationalist air headquarters said this Hangchow invasion fleet was heavily attacked during the day by bombers.

The entire mainland coast opposite the islands also was reported to have been bombed. Six locomotives and a bridge were reported to have been destroyed on the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway that leads South West of Hangchow.

In anticipation of an eventual Communist move against Taiwan, island capital of the Nationalists, the government also disclosed that it expects to conscript 30,000 Formosans by the end of May.

—Associated Press.

Ten killed
in glider
tragedyColumbus, Georgia,
January 13.

A glider, filled with paratroopers making their final flight before graduation, plummeted to earth after it was unhooked from its mother ship today, preparatory to landing, and 10 men were killed.

The motorless plane was smashed to pieces on a field and wreckage was scattered over a wide area.

The Public Information Office said 17 men were aboard the glider. First reports said 10 men were killed and seven had survived. The information officer said the men aboard the glider were part of a paratrooper class due to make the final jump before graduation tomorrow. —United Press.

BERGMAN
ROMANCE
SEQUEL

Turin, January 13.

An Italian Court of Assizes was asked today to remove one of the obstacles to the prospective marriage of Swedish film star, Ing Bergman, and the Italian director, Roberto Rossellini.

It heard a plea on behalf of Rossellini and his former wife, Marcelia de Marchis, that a Vienna court decree annulling their marriage be recognised as valid in Italy.

The court's decision, however, is not expected to be made public before tomorrow.

The State opposed recognition of the annulment but this is regarded here as largely a formality. Legal precedents in similar cases favour recognition of annulments granted abroad.

Rossellini and his ex-wife were represented by counsel at today's hearing, neither appearing in court.

The Swedish star, who recently completed a picture with Rossellini on the volcanic island of Stromboli, just off Sicily, has said she will wed the Italian director.

Rossellini's counsel told the Associated Press last night that progress is also being made on Miss Bergman's divorce from Dr. Peter Lindstrom, a Hollywood surgeon.

The petition, the lawyer said, will be filed in Mexico.

In Turin's court today, Justiz Domenico Pierotti Griva, President, said the court had no authority to investigate the reasons for which the Austrian annulment was granted but only to determine the international legality of the decree. —Associated Press.

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10.10—"Hand Call"—BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Joe Jenkins with Eric Whitely. (BBC)

10.30—Relay of the Service from St. M. Dugard Church, Conducted by the Rev. T. E. Gower, R.N.

11.15—London Crossland Orchestra Grade 10 (Guest Artist)

11.45—Hawaii and London—Piano Duets

P.M.

12.00—Grand Hotel—Albert Bandier and the Palm Court Orchestra with Frederick Harvey (Hawaii)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary

12.45—Excerpts from "The Gondoliers"—Gilbert and Sullivan

12.55—Jazz, Variety and Light Orchestra with the Blithing Sisters

1.00—News, Weather Report and Announcements

1.05—Morning Concert

1.10—"Take It from Here"—With Joe Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Esposito. (BBC)

1.15—"Jazz Hill Road"—Presented by Stuart Macdonald (Studio)

1.20—World News (London Relay)

1.25—Excerpted Features—Presented by Sheila Williams. (Studio)

1.30—Sports Talk—Presented by Bill Phillips. (Studio)

1.35—Furze Hour—"Home Remedy"—Presented by Jackie Palmer. (Radio)

1.40—"Hand Call"—Programme Summary

1.45—A Short Vocal Recital by John McCormack. (Tenor)

1.50—Weekly News Letter. (London Relay)

1.55—Services Even-song. Conducted by the Rev. Crossland, C.F. (Studio)

2.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

2.05—"Looking Ahead"—A Review of the Week. (Studio)

2.10—Dinner Music. (Studio)

2.15—"From the Editor's Desk." (London Relay)

2.20—Interlude

2.25—London Radio Melodies—Orchestra and His Concert Orchestra with the George Mitchell Choir, Joe Rodless, Dorcas Lundy and Dorothy Vaughan. (BBC)

2.30—Symphony Concert—Handel's Organ Concert No. 4 in D. Dr. J. D. Cunningham (Organ) and the City of Birmingham Orchestra. Conducted by George Walton.

Moscow's Quintet for Clarinet and Strings in A Major. Reginald Kell (Clarinet) and the Philharmonia, London. (BBC)

2.45—Symphony Concert—The Golden Spinning Wheel. Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

2.50—Radio News. (London Relay)

2.55—Weather Report

3.00—Radio World Male Chorus conducted by Gwyneth T. Jones. Piano Accompany: Mary Gurney. Radio

3.05—George Crow and His Mariners' Band with Barbara Hunter. (Radio)

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Patrick Campbell's Piece

I wonder what would have happened if I'd come face to face with Nineteen Fifty. That bouncing child with the wand, and the new wings, and the immature belief that everything and everything was going to be better than ever simply because we'd finished with 1949.

Nineteen Fifty would have found me in bed. On Friday night I attended the Chelsea Arts Ball and strained my main spring, so that I was unable to see the New Year in twice in the space of 24 hours.

But I don't imagine it would have stopped that child. There I lie in my nest with the wand, the wand of midnight staves, and in bounds. Mister 1950. He very obviously, is in the pink of condition. He poses on one toe, and then strikes me lightly on the shoulder with his wand. He sings in a penetrating treble.

"This is the year to work and be thrifty."

All had good friends, to Nineteen Fifty."

I give no sign that I have heard. I haven't heard. I am still busy playing "Hunt the Womble" on the radio, the grand old of the Albert Hall.

The child, displeased by my inattention, leans forward, towards the point of his wand in my eye, and pricks the eyelid open. He is too young to know what suffering is.

"This brings me to life. Life on the level of a form of seaweed. I see this beaming child before me, and the face seems unfamiliar. I feel sure that someone would have been kind enough to tell me if we had another child."

"When I look him directly, 'are you'?"

The child, a show-off if ever I saw one, assumes three times, and strikes another pose, again with the wand upraised. "I hear," he cries, "am Nineteen Hundred and Fifty."

I close my eyes again. "I thought you couldn't be one of mine," I tell him. "You're much too clean."

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I look at him coldly. "Is that the best you can do?" Is it going to be the same old thing all over again? "Tighten the belt, speed again?" "Can't you make it any more cheerful?" Here you come bounding into my bedroom with this insolent jollity and stab me in the eye with that piece of stick and all you want me to do is to work and be thrifty.

"Can't help it," says the child.

"The only word that rhymes with fifty is thirty."

"If you will pardon me, child, genius," I tell him, "what about thirty—and fifty?" he says.

"How can you be thirty or fifty in 1950? It wouldn't mean anything. There'd be no message."

"This is it," I observe. "Here it comes. I wonder why you think you're welcome."

"Don't snarl, mummy," said the child. "A pleasant face and winning ways will give us all the best of days."

"You've been reading the mottoes out of Christmas crackers," I tell him.

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Animals' Magna Carta

Writing from Copenhagen, James White explains that a "Magna Carta" for animals has just been drawn up by the Danish Ministry of Justice.

Designed to limit cruelty to animals, the new laws rule that in cases where all treatment is proved, the offender must be sentenced to at least 30 days imprisonment with hard labour.

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"being cynical. This is the New Year. This is Nineteen Fifty. You must cast off all the bad habits of Nineteen Forty-nine. Open your mind to truth and beauty. Be hopeful. Be kind to animals. And brush your teeth three times a day."

I am reminded by this of the prevailing conditions. I reach out to the bottle and drink a jug of water. This creates the usual larynx, and it is some time before I can speak.

"Why," I ask him faintly, "why do you have to come pushing in on me like this? I was having a lovely Christmas. I was having a splendid time. I'd like this Christmas to go on for ever."

"Doing what you were doing," says the child in a plain voice, "you wouldn't have lasted another 12 hours. But come, now. We have no further time to waste. Let me have your resolutions. The list may be incomplete. I am here to help you. A friend in need is a friend indeed, and in the New Year I'll give you a lead."

I examined this junior scoutmaster with something approaching pity. His cheeks are pink, his eyes are pure, and he wouldn't know one end of a cork-tipped cigarette from the other. He genuinely believes that a stitch in time saves nine, and I bet he goes for a long run before breakfast.

"Listen, Buster," I tell him, "the trouble about you is you're a bore. Here we've all been having a glorious time for more than

a week, guzzling and boozing and shouting and shouting, and showering costly presents upon our friends. Our houses have been bright with Christmas trees and festoons, and now you come bounding in with your wand and your halo, and let's all be kind to



animals, and I make to brush my teeth three times a day. Buster, I'm very much afraid you're a bore."

A furrow crosses the child's unfurrowed brow. "You mean," he says hesitantly, "you like smoking too much, and getting up at midday, and not doing your exercises and leaving letters unanswered?"

"Yes," I tell him. "That's just what I like. You see, as far as the human being is concerned that kind of life is practically the norm. You may catch a couple of the more impressionable ones with that hot propaganda of

your, but how long can you keep them up to the mark? A week, two weeks?"

The child considers this proposition. Obviously, it is a line of thought that had not occurred to him before.

Suddenly, he says, "You got a cigarette?" With a quiet smile I produce a packet from under the pillow. "Don't inhale at first," I tell him. "Just let it lay around the tongue." Then, casually, I reach under the pillow again. "Care for a smurf?"

"Smurf?" "You've been working hard. I'll help to keep you going."

The child makes a small gesture. "Just as she comes," he says. "Steady with the water."

After a moment I ask him, "How do you feel?"

"Okay," says the child. "I seem older already. Sort of relaxed." He holds out his glass again. "For Pete's sake," he says, "a chub's got to let up now and then, ain't he? Can't go all out all the time. And, anyway, tomorrow's another day. Here's luck to you and yours."

I can't help feeling it was lucky I didn't meet Master 1950 just then. Otherwise this bright New Year might have been sent by about March 1, and then think of the job we'd have had in getting the calendar straightened out again.

What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Bank robbery

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO: The daylight robbery at the Chase Bank was really a daring exploit. The success of the attempt clearly indicates that the bank was careful planning on the part of the men responsible.

This type of robbery is the worst as it undermines the confidence of the general public. The fact that a mere six armed men broke into a large bank in the most business part of the city shows that more effective measures are urgently needed to prevent repetitions.

Mr. F. W. Shafton, former Director of Criminal Investigation, said in his farewell speech just before he left on retirement that he regretted that triad societies in the Colony had not been totally wiped out.

His words of regret are worth attention, because unless such nefarious organisations are exterminated they will remain a threat to law and order.

It will be recalled that Mr. Shafton also said that despite efforts to obtain the arms held by these underground organisations, there still remained a number of firearms in their possession.

This has been borne out by the number of armed robberies recently and previously. We urge the authorities concerned to strive their utmost to deprive these organisations of their arms. This is an urgent matter.

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The authorities are equipped with power by a number of emergency regulations to deal with almost any situation in preventing crime. We strongly urge that these emergency powers be used to wipe out the existence of secret organisations whose object is mainly to go against the law and create disorder.

The Labour Party owes its previous election to parliament to the support given it by Britain's 8,000,000 workers. The number of Labour Party supporters has increased to about 10,000,000 and is continuing to increase.

The Labour Party has also to a considerable extent fulfilled its promises made to the people at the last elections. The principal industries have been nationalised and also the Bank of England. The Party's social security scheme is its outstanding achievement. Based on these few points, it is probable that the Party will win the February 23 general elections.

WEN WEI PAO: The Colombo Conference was called to discuss anti-Communist matters. No doubt, resolutions have been approved on means for strengthening British measures against Communism, and measures for disrupting the liberation movement of the peoples in South East Asia.

In the main the Colombo Conference is to counter any favourable reaction in South East Asia to the success of the Chinese People's revolution on the China mainland.

The Conference, needless to say, must also have discussed ways and means for providing protection to British interests in South East Asia from encroachment by the United States.

SING TAO JIH PAO: The Colombo Conference is important in that it will guide the future of Asia. The main subjects of the Conference are to reinforce anti-Communist measures and an early realisation of the peace treaty with Japan.

We believe that the Conference will decide to demand to wipe out veto power at the Japan peace conference, and to invite Burma and Ceylon to participate in it. The Conference will obviously rule out an American instigated one-sided treaty.

Other important results of the Conference may be the strengthening of the operations of Communists in the Commonwealth countries, particularly in exterminating the Communist terrorists in Malaya.

The Conference may also give its full support to a formation of a union of nations to fight against the spread of Communism in Asia as previously suggested by Philipine leaders.

It is also possible that an Asia Marshall Plan may result from the Conference.

Recognition, problem

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PAO: Britain's recognition of the Chinese Communist Government has no parallel in British history. In our opinion, this move by Britain is a step towards recognition of the Communist Government in the East.

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The recognition will encourage the Chinese Communists to advance further on their road of crime. Britain has dug her own grave and will suffer the consequences.

When France was overrun by the Germans why did not Britain recognise the Petain Government? One explanation may be that she was fighting a battle for life with Germany.

Why did she accede to Japan's demand to close the Burma Road during the Chinese war against Japan? One explanation is that Britain did not want to impair her trade relations with Japan.

But, look at the results of such appeasement policies.

SING TAO JIH PAO: In recognising the Chinese People's Central Government at Peking, Britain's action does not necessarily mean that there is a split in the common front formed by Britain and the United States. Such interpretation is wrong.

It is probable that Britain's example will be followed by other big powers, including America. This will help bring the Western countries into friendly relations with the new Chinese regime.

Mao's visit

HONG KONG TIMES: Communist Chairman Mao Tse-tung is still in Moscow. The destiny of the entire Chinese nation has been placed in the hands of Stalin. The Chinese people are apprehensive of what Mao will do after his return from the Kremlin.

Many people hold the opinion that the Chinese Communists will not take orders from Stalin. They believe that Mao will turn out to be a second Tito and put the interests of the Chinese people above the interests of Stalin.

They also believe that the People's Central Government will be a coalition government with all other parties in it. These are only illusions. The Chinese People have been imprisoned behind the Iron Curtain.

One man's poison

What is poison to one is still meat to another, and from Germany Christopher Phillips reports that "winter is bringing prosperity to the Bavarian foothills."

Villages cut off by impassable rough roads in summer are now crowded with local visitors and tourists as sleigh cars arrive in their hundreds from neighbouring towns and cities.

For the first time this year the big hotels are open again and in upper Bavaria, innumerable alpine huts are being installed to attract the winter sports visitors.

Nor is there any sign of austerity or defeat in the hospitality offered by the Germans. For £2 a day the tourist can have full board and lodging in the very best hotels.

Meals are as good as if not better than anywhere on the Continent, and as if they were going out of their way to please their war-time enemies, most Bavarian hotels are this winter providing English-speaking waiters, "American Bar" and even "Riviera Bar" rooms. In an attempt to make the winter season more attractive to tourists, the hotels are also providing a "winter" menu.

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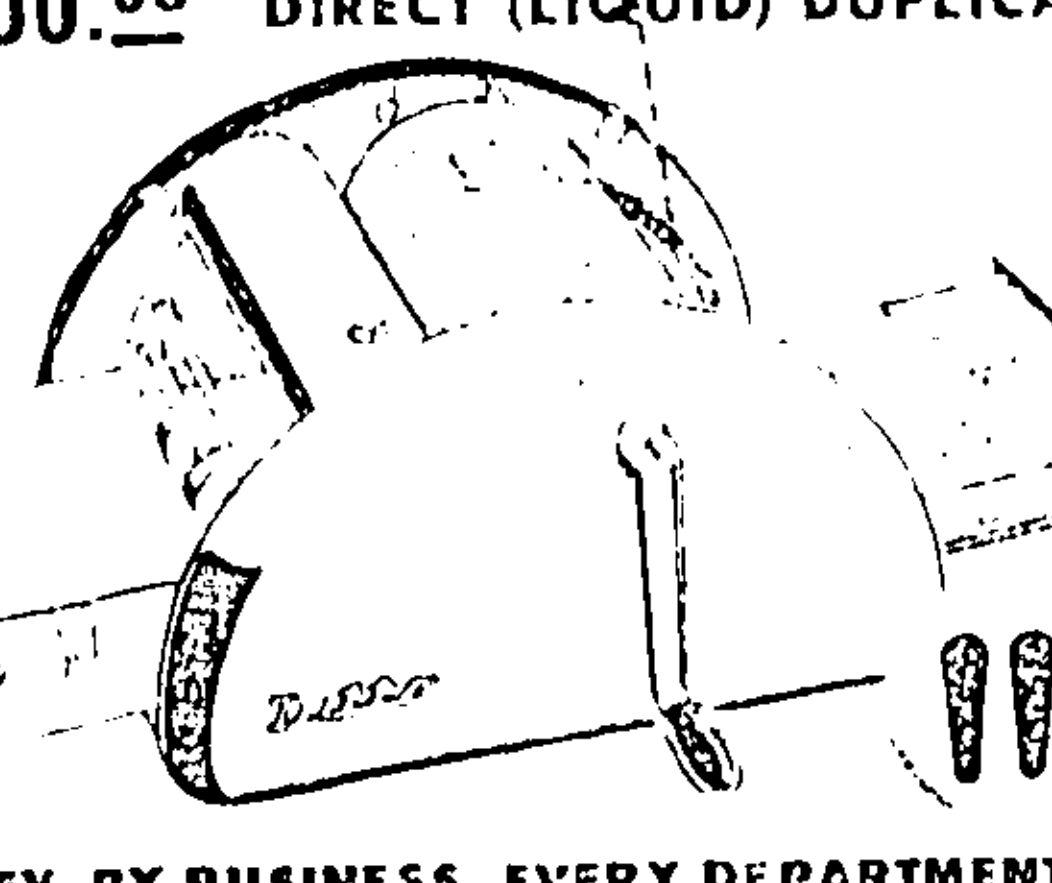
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Defence chiefs to testify on value of Taiwan

Washington, January 13. Republican critics of President Harry Truman's hands-off Taiwan policy scored a point today as the Senate Foreign Relations Committee agreed to call the nation's defence chiefs to testify on the island's strategic value.

Over strong opposition from Chairman Tom Connally, Texas Democrat, the Committee voted to summon the Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson, and General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to give their views on January 26, on Taiwan's military importance.

This action came after the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, had made his second appearance before the group this week to defend the administration decision not to supply any other arms help to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's forces in the last ditch stand against the Chinese Communists.

Senate Republicans, however, have been clamouring for U.S. intervention to keep the island under control from falling to the Chinese Reds. They further have been demanding a fresh report from the military leader of how Taiwan is included in the country's defence planning.

Senator Connally twice rejected a request from Senator William Knowland, California Republican, for testimony by the defence chiefs. But today he lost out when the matter was put to a vote.

As the foreign policy debate heated toward a new climax, some were other development looking on the Far Eastern front.

The Marshall Plan Director, Paul G. Hoffman, told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that a U.S. economic aid programme such as the "point four" plan had been in effect in China for five years, the Communists would not be in control today.

A report to the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee said that the Chinese Nationalists in Taiwan might be able to hold out six to 18 months without American help.

Mr. C. B. Marshall, who wrote the report, is a former Harvard University instructor and a Director of Philosophy.

He made no specific recommendations whether the United States should give or deny military aid.

Mr. Marshall's report said "The transfer of Taiwan from possible United States use to control by a punitive enemy in a future war is a matter of great strategic consequence and a rationalisation induced by the necessities of the moment should be permitted to obscure this."

The best estimate from Government sources, the report said, is that the Nationalists have a military force of 280,000 to 300,000 on the island.

The House members probably will use Mr. Marshall's document as the basis for further questioning of Secretary Acheson when he comes up for another session next week. Associated Press and Reuter.

"Acheson agitating for recognition"

Washington, January 12. Senator Styles Bridges (Republican, New Hampshire) told the Senate today that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, is agitating for United States recognition of Communist China.

He said that Mr. Acheson and Far Eastern policy officials have, through assurances to Britain, pushed her into the role of a peacemaker in recognizing Communist China.

The Senator, who charged that the State Department with conducting a campaign to undermine the Chinese Nationalist leader, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, did not say what assurances had been given to Britain.—Reuter.

SCHUMAN VISIT TO GERMANY

Bonn, January 13. M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, came to Western Germany today to try to settle a Franco-German disagreement over the future of the Saar with its rich coalfields.

He is beginning talks in Bonn tonight with Dr. Konrad Adenauer, the Western German Federal Chancellor, and other German leaders.

They are expected to discuss the growing German agitation against the Saar's existing status—economic integration with France—and the possibility of its gravely prejudicing Franco-German understanding.

Mr. Schuman is expected to recall that France had made considerable concessions regarding security, the Ruhr and dismantling and that economic control of the Saar is all that is substantially remaining to compensate her for her losses.

Western Germany is determined to pursue a policy of rapprochement with France, a Western German Government spokesman declared here tonight, commenting on the atmosphere of "mutual suspicion."

The Saar, he said, is ethnically and historically German. German leaders are meeting together in Bonn earlier tonight to prepare a united front on the subject.

Government circles express particular concern at an unofficial report that the Saar Government, regarded by the Germans as provisional, is prepared to lease its mines to France for 99 years.

Silent German crowds watched M. Schuman arrive at the Mainz railway station this morning, review French-German troops and tanks in the city square and stand to attention for the Marseillaise.—Reuter.

METHODISTS IN SE ASIA

Singapore, January 14. The Central Conference for South East Asia of the Methodist Church will be held in Singapore next month.

Forty-two elected delegates from Malaya, Sumatra, Sarawak and Burma will assemble to elect the first Bishop ever to be elected in this area and to initiate legislation covering the work of the Methodist Church in South East Asia.—Reuter.

COUNCIL DEFEATS ANTI-NATIONALIST MOVE BY RUSSIA

Lake Success, January 13. The Soviet delegate, Mr. Jacob Malik, tonight walked out of the Security Council after his resolution urging the expulsion of the Chinese Nationalist delegate had been rejected.

By a vote of six for rejecting the resolution, three against and two abstentions, the Council had refused the Soviet resolution demanding the expulsion of Dr. T.F. Tsiang, the Chinese Nationalist delegate.

The Soviet delegate told the Security Council that Russia would not feel herself bound by any decision taken in his absence. He said that the Soviet Union would not participate in the work of the Security Council until the Chinese Nationalist delegate had been removed and would not recognise the Council's decisions, if taken with a Chinese Nationalist delegate present, as legal.

The Soviet Union, Yugoslavia and India voted for the resolution; the United States, China, Egypt, Ecuador and France abstained; Britain and Norway abstained.

Mr. Malik made his statement in Russian, waited for the English translation, which he interrupted to make corrections on three occasions, then gathered up his papers and walked out followed by his advisers.

The departure followed the pattern he set on Tuesday. He strode down the corridor, got his hat and coat and stepped into a waiting car. He waited about a minute for Mr. Semyon Tsarukin, his principal adviser, and was then driven away.

Mr. Malik, reading a prepared statement, said, "The non-adoption of the proposal submitted by the Soviet delegation shows that the United States and those who follow the United States, have overtaken the path of fostering lawlessness in the Security Council and in the United Nations in general."

"Narrow interests"

"In extending their support to the illegal maintenance in the Security Council of the representative of the Kuomintang clique, the delegation of the United States has helped undermine the authority and the prestige, not only of the Security Council itself, but of the United Nations Organisation as such."

"This shows that narrow, egotistical, political and military interests are placed by the United States above the interests of the United Nations, above the interests of peace and international co-operation."

"History teaches that backward reactionary policies that cling to things obsolete, are doomed to perdition, are bound to fail."

"There is no doubt that a sobering will occur, and that even the most sworn reactionaries will have to bow to the significance of events."

"On the other hand, the position of the Soviet Union is a consistent position, a position of principle."

"The Soviet Union will not participate in the Security Council until the representative of the Kuomintang group, who illegally occupies a seat in this

Legal angle

He said that he would leave aside the legal implications of the absence of one or more members from a meeting.

He supported the call by Sir Benegal Narasing Rao (India) for a review of discrepancies in the rules of procedure, and said that the Egyptian delegation considered it to be an important point requiring urgent consideration.

He added that Sir Benegal had said something to the effect that a committee of experts might be set up to study the point quite clearly by calling attention to several discrepancies and clashes between one set of rules of procedure and another, as well as to the embarrassing and serious consequences which might ensue from them.

He said that he wondered whether consideration should be entrusted to the Security Council's Committee of Experts or to a mixed committee representative of various bodies concerned.

"The first alternative might be the better."

"Whatever course we may choose," Fawzi Bey added, "I am perfectly in agreement with the Indian delegation on the importance and urgency of this matter."—Reuter.

SCHOOLBOY'S ADVENTURE

Arbroath, January 13. A 14-year-old schoolboy, John Guthrie, who under the cloak of darkness sailed alone from the harbour here in a 50-ton fishing boat, was today picked up exhausted in the North Sea midway between the British and Norwegian coasts.

For three days and nights planes and boats had been searching for the missing craft, the Girl Jean, and its unauthorised "Captain."

A 400-ton British motor trawler, the Ripton, on its way to the White Sea fisheries and unaware of the incident, spotted the Girl Jean, suspected that something was wrong and sent out a crew to investigate.

They searched the boat and found the schoolboy, John Guthrie, exhausted in a fish-hold.—Reuter.

CANBERRA NOTE TO RUSSIA

Canberra, January 13. The Prime Minister, Robert Menzies, said today that Australia had sent a note on January 5 to Russia, protesting against the apparent detention of large numbers of Japanese prisoners of war by the Soviet. The note was handed to the Soviet Ambassador at Canberra.

The text of the note, as released by the Australian Embassy in Washington, follows:—

The Department of External Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the USSR and has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Australian Government is concerned at the large number of Japanese prisoners of war who appear to be still detained by the USSR.

"The Embassy will remember that Paragraph Nine of the Potsdam Proclamation of July 26 1945, states: 'Japanese military forces, after being completely disarmed, shall be permitted to return to their homes with opportunity to lead peaceful and productive lives.'"

"The Embassy will also be aware that the repatriation of Japanese prisoners of war held by Allied powers other than the USSR was virtually completed in 1947. Tass News Agency reported on May 20, 1949, that 95,000 Japanese prisoners of war were still held by the USSR. According to figures carefully compiled by the Japanese Government and checked from every available source, this large figure given by Tass does not account for an additional 370,029 prisoners still in areas under Soviet control."

"The Australian Government is forced to conclude that if the Tass figure is correct, the discrepancy between that and the Japanese Government estimate can only be accounted for by an abnormally high death rate among Japanese prisoners awaiting repatriation by the USSR."

"In this connection, the Australian Government has observed that the USSR has continually refused to furnish notifications of the deaths of Japanese prisoners and feels bound to point out to the Government of the USSR that failure to provide such information, as well as the prolonged detention of prisoners after the cessation of hostilities, is contrary to accepted international concepts of fundamental human rights and humanitarian principles contained in the Geneva Convention of 1949, which was signed by the USSR."

"The Australian Government expresses the hope that the Government of the USSR will accept the principle that an international humanitarian organisation should be designated as the protecting power to conduct full and impartial investigations into the position of Japanese detained in areas under the control of the USSR since the end of the war."

"The representative of the British Commonwealth countries on the Allied Council for Japan put forward such a proposal at the Council's meeting on December 21 and its acceptance by the USSR would undoubtedly greatly assist in clarifying the present unsatisfactory position."—United Press.

FIRST COLOUR TELEVISION

Washington, January 13. Colour television has been shown in public for the first time through eight receivers in Washington.

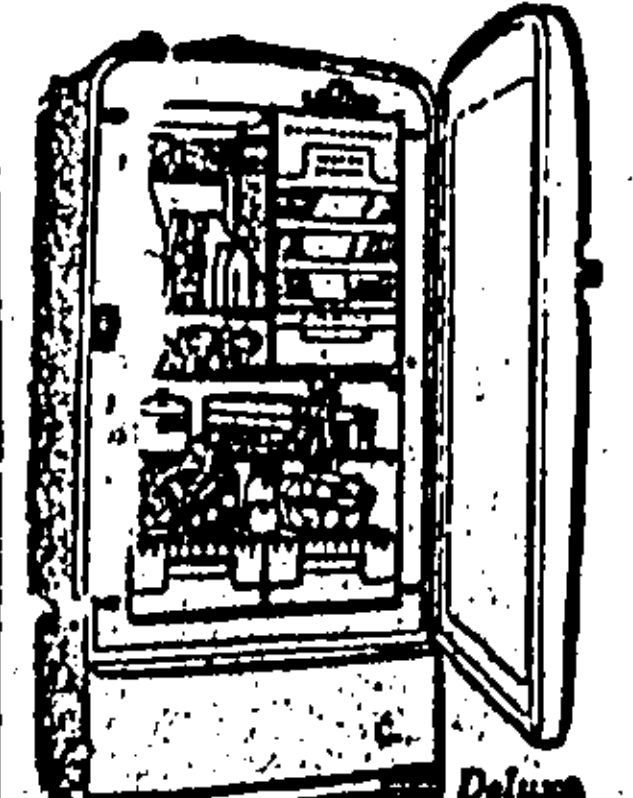
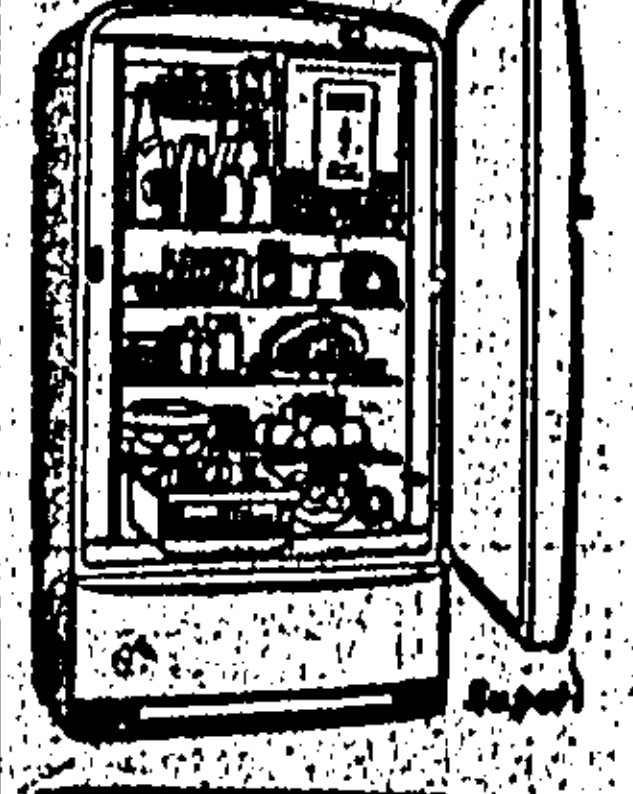
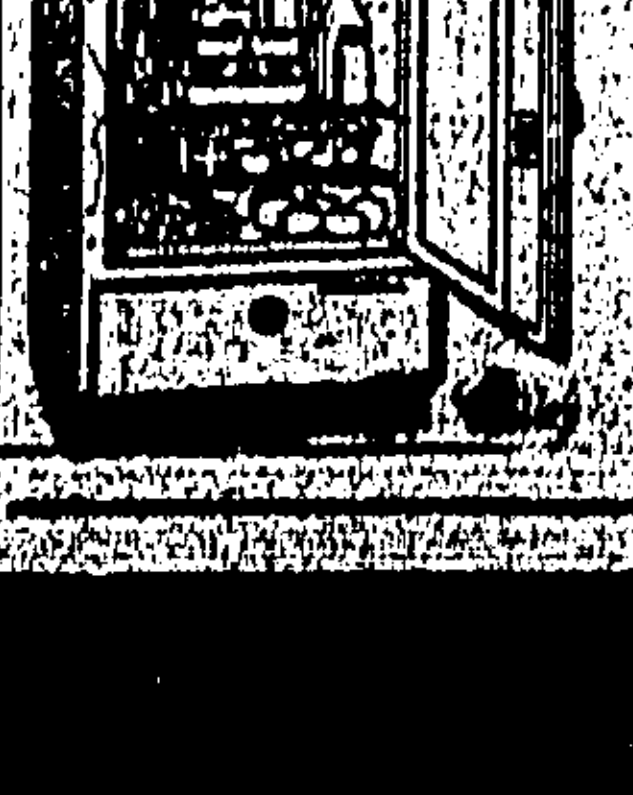
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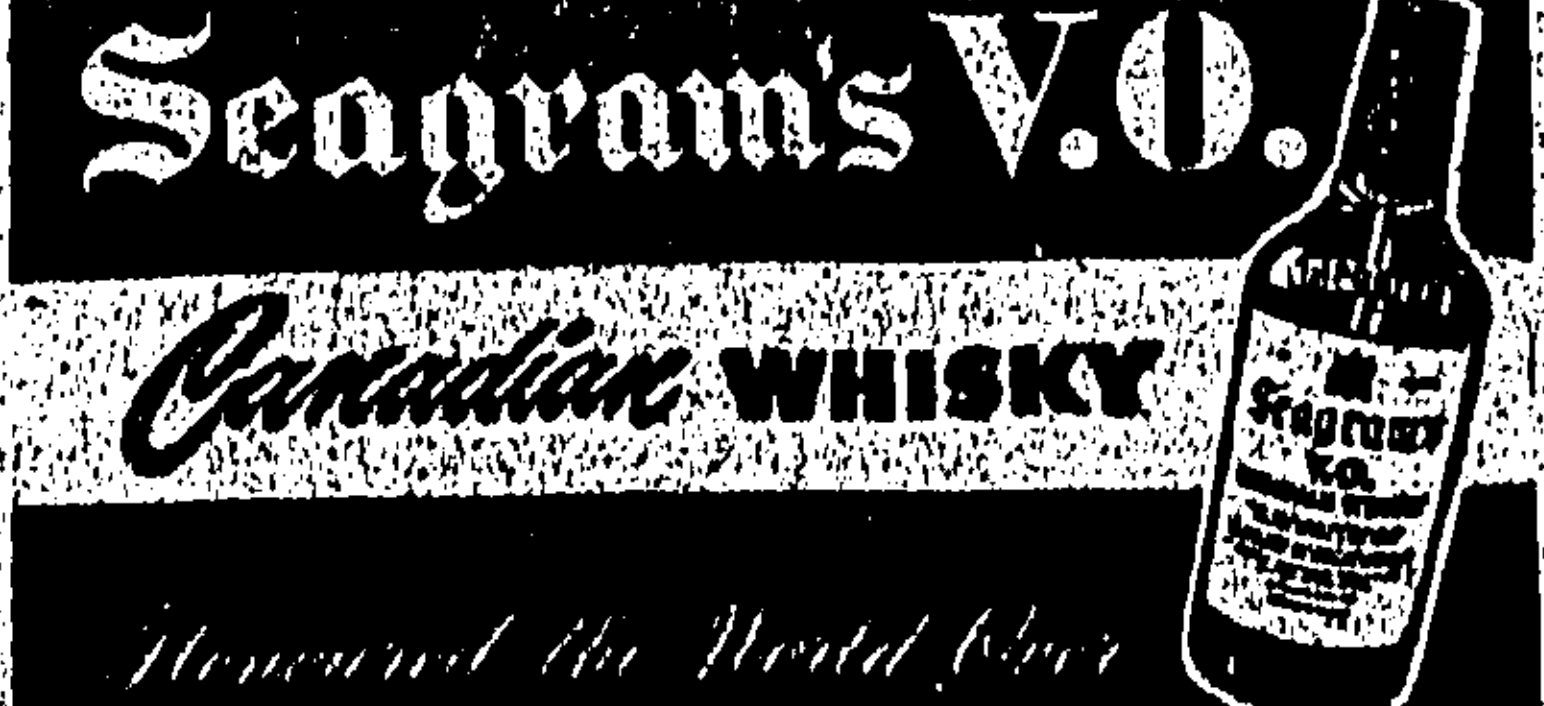
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Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

As the New Year is already a fortnight old most of us have cheerfully abandoned our sterner resolutions. Already they have turned out either wildly impractical or, which is far more tiresome, much too uncomfortable.

Hoping to catch you on the rebound, I'd like to offer a few mild suggestions of resolutions for men and women alike for 1950.

For a start, wouldn't it be nice if we could learn sometimes to be pleasant and sincere, without apologetically doing so?

I don't mean that, like the hero in "The Bucksters" everyone should rush out and buy a "Terribly Sincere Tie" and cover their faces with expressions of candour; then we should all become most sincere buns.

Only it sometimes seems we are drowning in our own verbosity. There are too many theories, too many films, almost too many books available to us. All situations have been presented and now we are afraid to make use of our language except to say "I know it's true but..." or "I'm afraid it sounds brutal."

I sometimes wonder if the modern young man, proposing, says, "I know it sounds corny, but, darling, I love you." Let's come right out in 1950 and be bravely pleasant when we can.

Alternatively let's not be quite so frank. Once upon a time, a frank, open, "I love you" was a compliment. Not any more. If anyone announces of themselves they are "just naturally frank" they are telling you that when they feel inclined they are quite exceptionally rude.

I would not rob the world of criticism, but real criticism is based on informed opinion. Nobody who wants to get on in life can expect to avoid criticism.

But can husbands and wives afford to be so frank with each other? Not entirely. The wife who says her husband's after-dinner speech was "All right,

dear, but wasn't that Mr. James amusing?" is undermining his confidence for some future board meeting.

You hate hypocrisy? M-m. What if a wife feeling suddenly romantic, asks her devoted life-partner, does he still enjoy to dance with her?

Instead of making her happy (and she would be) by just answering "Of course, darling," he lets out a sort of whimmy and says "Well, it isn't what it was when you were 18, 4th, old girl!" Let's not be quite so frank!

Supposing that in 1950 we decided to leave psychiatry psy-

chiatry upon ourselves too completely, with the cold (though not unprejudiced) eye of incessant self-analysis, if we continue to grow more and more subjective about ourselves, and if everybody does the same, soon there will be nobody to notice if we improve or not. So I don't care if does sound true! Couldn't we look outward a little more in the New Year?

Couldn't we perhaps resolve to remember that cheap wisecracks often boomerang.

That we must not discuss our children at great length unless



"I know it sounds corny, but, darling, I love you..."

chology and psycho-analysis rather than to those who are qualified practitioners—or else in need of them.

There is nothing more fascinating, of course, than the endless discussion of oneself.

But I can't help thinking that it would be nice if in 1950 we could go for a country walk, not "because it is good for me but simply to look outwards and see the scenery, simply because it is good to be alive and to be able to go for a walk."

And couldn't we go to a cinema because we'd like to see a film, and not as a "sort of dope" or "a form of escapism"? (We shall escape from this life soon enough in all conscience!)

I'm in favour of making use of all the "psychos" to improve our personal appearance, or behaviour, or whatever. I only suggest, gently, that if we turn

we are prepared to listen about other people's children for an equally interminable period.

That it is not polite to be so terrified that we shall forget our own funny story that we barely stop long enough to laugh at somebody else's (of course, quite unfunny) tale before we launch it.

That husbands and wives may both reasonably suppose they hold each other's affections, but it's an odd type who doesn't like to hear an occasional word on the subject.

That it is a beautiful world, even if all the inhabitants are not.

I ended my first column this time last year by saying the pursuit of happiness need not always end like a wraith vanishing in the mist. Sometimes it can be found by just tending the flowers in your own back yard. I still believe that to be true.

Mid-century prospects

It appears that we are all wrong in assuming that the second half of the twentieth century was ushered in by this month's Auld Lang Syne singing.

It will be a popular misconception difficult to dismiss. But the coming year promises sufficiently important happenings for most people to be able to postpone their mid-century celebrations for another 12 months when they will have the opportunity to jollify to their hearts' content in the Festival Fun Fair in Battersea Park.

An unholy year

For 1950 in Britain is to be an unholy year of politicking in which the public will be forced to watch the nation's great men making a great exhibition of themselves in their efforts to secure a majority in the next Parliament.

Fortunately, this uncheerful entertainment (the crackers and cracker notices, so to speak, which must accompany the wintastic calendar) is likely to be before the blooming of spring's first flowers.

Mr. Shinwell's recent threats at Bradford of the ultimate invasion of the Socialists to dispossess every owner of property are not at all the sort of line which script-writers Herbert Morrison and Maurice Webb mean to leave in the show on the opening night.

Wooing the votes

It is probably Mr. Webb who has had the notion to include Mr. J. B. Priestley among the speakers who are shortly to woo votes on the air, in the series of political broadcasts which is in itself a forewarning of an early poll.

Mr. Priestley is a Bradford man; perhaps, with Will Rotherham and Humbert Wolfe, one of that city's most distinguished sons of the past 50 years. Some of his unkind fellow-tenants in Albany, Pleasantly, pretend that it was not until he had been in London for many years that Mr. Priestley first began to affect the fruity Bradford accent which now winds its way past his perpetual pipe.

It was that accent, thick and warm as Bradford wool, which, during the forties lent for many such delight, to the broadcasts which might otherwise have

Behind the political scene

By Alastair Forbes

Careless talk

Mr. Priestley is more at home in his own island than abroad. Foreigners, and particularly Americans, have always found that his sort of wooliness got under their skin. Not long ago his careless talking on the other side of the Atlantic only just failed to qualify him for a post as Under-Secretary to Mr. Bevin.

Mr. Priestley has often flirted with politics, and there have even been times when he seemed to have one large card brandied cocked for the sound of the people calling him to preside over their destinies. No doubt it was something more profound than a dislike for first-night audiences and the dramatic critics of the "Capitalist Press" that sent him, a few years ago, lumbering a good deal further Leftwards than he had at first intended.

But his own experience of the Socialist experiment seems to have reawakened in his writings much of his deeply ingrained Liberalism. Therefore his choice as a party speaker is interesting, and indicates how strong is going to be Mr. Morrison's bid to persuade the floating vote to float once more to the left of Centre.

Priestley's task

It will presumably be Mr. Priestley's task, as a prominent Radical middlebrow, to attempt to argue several million Liberals into voting Socialist, and to play up all the traditional Liberal dislike of Conservatism in the past. But if there is one thing upon which all leading Liberals seem to be agreed, and the event is a sufficiently memorable one, it is that a further term of Socialist administration would be disastrous for the country.

It is therefore very difficult to follow the reasoning of any Liberal who proposes to cast a vote for any Socialist candidate in the coming contest.

Mr. Morrison must rate Liberal intelligences low if he believes that there will be a large body of them inclined to reason that the Labour Government must still be all right if dear Mr. Priestley is still supporting it.

The Liberal Party proper has yet to announce the number of candidates which it proposes to put in the field, or the major points of difference between its



It's just a wee patch of fog!

own and present-day Tory beliefs. It is scarcely in a condition to take on two adversaries so very much larger than itself.

Tactical plan

It would be more than a pity if its name, which is its principal remaining asset, were to disappear from the British political vocabulary. It would be a pity also if it were to lose altogether its separate identity.

Under a working arrangement with a greatly liberalised Tory Party such as now exists (the Labour - Co-operative alliance would offer a good pattern) neither would have to be lost. And in exchange for promised Tory support for an Alternate Vote system, a tactical plan might be devised which would wrest many more seats from Labour than can at present be counted upon.

Disastrous term

The alternative is for each Liberal to continue to do everything in his power to "kill the thing he loves," and for a large and ineffectual Liberal vote to spread a thin but welcoming carpet across the country over which Socialism will ride to a second and more disastrous term of power.

It is late in the day for such an arrangement to be reached, and difficult to enforce it upon constituencies, most of whose arrangements are already in train. But a useful and fruitful beginning might be made by the Tories if they were to ensure that Sir Archibald Sinclair be given a chance to regain his old seat at Caithness which will surely go to Labour if a three-cornered contest takes place.

LIAQUAT'S VISIT TO MOSCOW

Calcutta, January 13. Pakistan's Prime Minister, Liaquat Ali Khan, and his wife will visit Moscow in April. The Prime Minister's wife has also been invited to visit Argentina by President Juan Peron's wife, Senora Eva Peron. It is not known when she will be able to go in view of the Moscow trip.—Associated Press.

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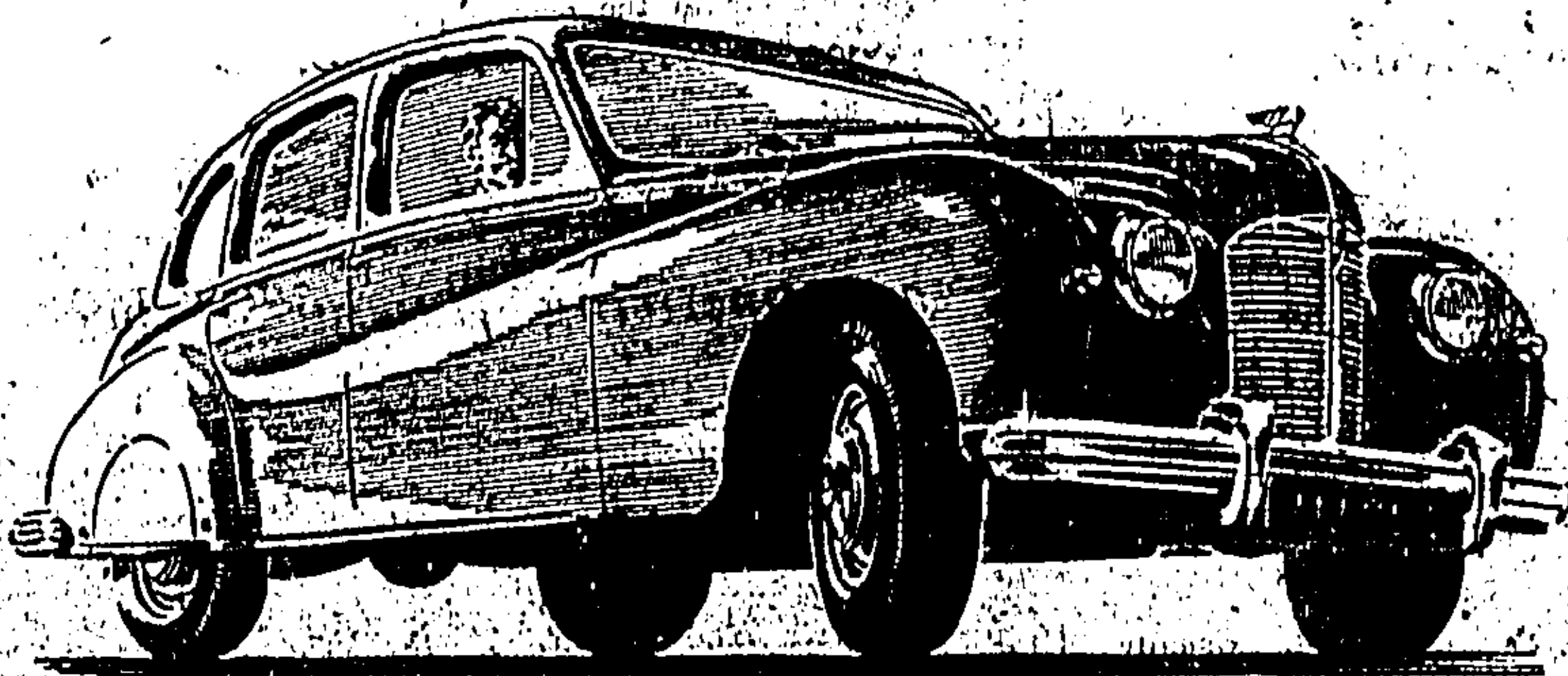
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For many years he contributed articles to newspapers on beauty treatment. He developed his special qualities to such a fine point that many women found it convenient to write to him for advice on the latest of beauty treatments to match particular types of skins.

Mr. Mamak is a cosmopolitan and a man whose father introduced him to the Far East. He has been in Hong Kong since 1934, but not made beauty propagation his profession but during the war years he put his knowledge in this line to good use by opening a salon in Saigon.

He recalls this period with amusement and remembers the plight of a young Frenchman who came to him one night with an urgent request to be made up as an Annamite.

"Because he replied the present law forbids Frenchmen from

beauty have transformed the appearance of the feminine sex.

I met Mr. Mamak at his office the other day and was fascinated by the remarkable make-up power which he exercises. He showed me an album of photographs of some of his works, and I was amazed at the range of his experience.

He would take a perfectly ordinary young man and within half an hour alter his appearance so completely that you would think Druclua is stalking the world again. Or he would take a plain young lady and apply such exquisite make-up to her face that in the end you would swear you had seen her as Desdemona in a London performance of "Othello."

I found Mr. Mamak perfectly groomed and adroit on all matters pertaining to art and beauty. He spoke expertly on a number of subjects, but always swung again to the issue of womanly appearance. According to him, there need be no ugly women at all. There are beauty aids at the command of ladies which if properly applied soften all hard lines, and enhance poise, dignity and grace.

Having travelled extensively, he has come to the conclusion that a dowdy woman is a disgrace to her sex anywhere in the world. Ladies should always be neat, properly coiffured, and careful about their make-up. A splash of rouge on the cheeks, which is done with a finger, is a mark of carelessness unless properly applied.

Mr. Mamak, who has been in Hong Kong since 1934, has not made beauty propagation his profession but during the war years he put his knowledge in this line to good use by opening a salon in Saigon.

He recalls this period with amusement and remembers the plight of a young Frenchman who came to him one night with an urgent request to be made up as an Annamite.

"Because he replied the present law forbids Frenchmen from

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visiting the cabarets, and I must visit a cabaret tonight or go crazy."

Half an hour later, an Annamite—no different from many others—carelessly passed alert sentries into the ornate chamber of a Salon de Dance, and one Frenchman was happy because, after months of monotonous inactivity, he could trip the light fantastic once more.

Mr. Mamak preaches the creed that women should be beautiful at all times. He agrees instinctively with the Nawab of Bhopal who once told a gaudy duchess in Mayfair affected, unfortunately, with what Oscar Wilde described as the remains of a really remarkable ugliness: "I am sorry, Duchess, but I can never ask you to visit me at Malabar Hill. Only the beautiful are admitted there."

Mr. Mamak is never tired of praising women who permit nothing to interfere with their right to be beautiful on all occasions.

Sarah Bernhardt, two weeks before she died, still imperiously demanded of her maid when a young man came knocking at the door "Le miroir vite!" And Marie Antoinette, riding in a tumbrel to the guillotine, still asked the driver if her hair was properly arranged.

"Such a grand tradition should never be allowed to die," Mr. Mamak says. "God knows we have need of more beauty in our lives today."

New Consul-General

Mr. Sanga Sukhabut arrived in the Colony last week to represent the Kingdom of Siam as Consul-General here.

He was accompanied by Mrs. Sukhabut and two children. A diplomat and lawyer, Mr. Sukhabut completed his studies

in France, where he took his degrees.

In Paris one October afternoon as he walked down the Pont des Champs Elysees, the beauty of Europe's gayest capital so enthralled him that he refused to board the ship which was due to carry him back to Siam that night.

He remained several months longer and at a dinner party some time later he met a charming Frenchwoman who was later to become his wife.



MR. SANGA SUKHABUT

Mr. Sukhabut then toured the Continent, visiting Switzerland, where Siamese kings traditionally receive their education. Venice, where a Doge two centuries ago threw a ring into the lagoon and symbolically wedded the gondola-city with the Adriatic, and London, where outside St. James's Palace yard he watched in a shower the changing of the Guard.

The Sukhabuts have two children, both boys, one of whom, at 11, is attending Roydon School.

A friend of the Siamese Royal Family, Mr. Sukhabut said Bangkok has greatly changed since the days when an English schoolmistress, coming down from London, encountered such differences in behaviour and outlook that her book about it became a best seller.

There is a lot of cosmopolitanism in Bangkok at present, since the capital of Siam has become the capital of the United Nations in the Far East.

Before coming to Hong Kong Mr. Sukhabut was attached to the Ministry of Commerce. His last post was Secretary to the Foreign Trade Department. His assignment in Hong Kong will keep him here for three years.

Uno in the Far East

Miss Eleanor Hinder, the United Kingdom Liaison Officer with the United Nations and specialised agencies in the Far East, paid a short visit to Hong Kong last week.

A distinguished social worker, she has been in the East since 1929. For many years before the war she was Director of the Industrial and Social Division of the Shanghai Municipal Council. At present she is based in Bangkok, where she is also acting as liaison officer for the Hong Kong Government with the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE).

Interviewed just before her departure after a four-day stay,

Miss Hinder said there is now a considerable amount of United Nations activity in the Siamese capital. Many of the agencies operating there were transferred from Shanghai. The Economic Commission Secretariat has its offices in Bangkok; the representative of the Director-General of the Food and Agricultural Organisation is also stationed there. So, too, are the regional headquarters of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

In addition, two subsidiary bodies of the FAO have their headquarters in Bangkok—the International Rice Commission and the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council—and it is likely that a third body, a commission on forestry and forest products, will come into being in 1950.

Miss Hinder said she was greatly interested to learn of the formation of a group in Hong Kong recently with the object of interesting residents in many phases of international affairs, including the United Nations and its activities.

She said she hopes it will give a good deal of attention to the problems which the regional bodies, particularly those centered in Bangkok, are facing.

She intends to keep the new organisation—known as the International Study Group—fully informed, by sending documents and publications of the work of all these international organisations.

She understands Hong Kong will be represented at the meeting of non-governmental organisations with relations with the UN and specialised agencies at Bangkok in early February.

Miss Hinder, who has followed Hong Kong's economic and social progress with interest for many years, years from her observation post as a resident of

Shanghai, said she is happy to represent the Colony as its liaison officer. She spoke with approval of the contribution Hong Kong has made at sessions of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.

Sir Man-kam Lo was Vice-Chairman at the second session. Dr. Chan attended the third and fourth sessions, and Mr. C. Lee the fourth and fifth.

She is grateful, she said, for the interest Mr. Leo had taken in the work of the Commission, and paid a tribute to the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, for his assistance.

Miss Hinder was accompanied on her recent visit to Hong Kong by Miss Viola Smith, who has been acting as Trade Promoting Consultant in the ECAFE.

Miss Smith was formerly the United States Trade Commissioner and Consul in Shanghai.

She called on Mr. Keen, the Director of Commerce and Industry, and attended the Hong Kong Manufacturers' Exhibition in Kowloon. She later discussed her impressions with Government officers at the exhibition and with Mr. Keen.

On World tour for P & O

Mr. E. C. Allen, publicity manager for the Pacific and Orient Steamship Company Limited, passed through Hong Kong last week on a tour of the Far East on behalf of his firm.

He is visiting P & O branches all over the world to rehabilitate publicity work which, since the war, has fallen into comparative decline.

One of his main tasks is to contact the world press, and to put P & O offices in all shipping cities on a modern footing as the regards photographs for enhancement of the line's merits.

Mr. Allen believes that correct advertising campaigns are just as important for shipping companies as for the manufacturer of sweets.

Unmarried, Mr. Allen is an Australian. Before the war he worked for the MacDonald, Hamilton & Company Limited, who were the P & O's British India agents in Australia. During the war he served with the Royal Australian Navy, and as soon as he was demobilised he sailed for England where he joined Pacific and Orient as their publicity manager.

His publicity work, and correct publicity will have a lot to do in the future with the maintenance of Britain's position in maritime traffic, Mr. Allen said.

For the actual writing of his new book he retired to a mountain village not far from Taipei, where he spent nearly half a year. He expects to finish the MS here in Hong Kong, before returning to the United States.

Farewell to China

One may well expect the older generation to say farewell to

ever to a China changing beyond their knowing, but there is always a bit of pang when one hears of men in the prime of their life going away for good.

Mr. Ivor House, of Liddell Bros. & Co., has left Hong Kong for Australia, where he will rejoin his wife who is staying with her mother, Mrs. Lancelot Giles, in Albany, New Australia.

Mr. House was the son of the former Commander House, R.N. (retired), who was a notable figure for years along the Yangtze and especially in Hankow.

Ivor was a leading jockey before the war in Tianjin and has also ridden elsewhere in China.

More recently he had forsaken the pleasures and perils of riding in horse races for the quieter joys of bird-watching, at which he was quite an expert.

Some years ago he married Mrs. Ivor Giles, daughter of the former British Consul-General in China, Mr. Lancelot Giles and Mrs. Giles. Mr. Giles himself was a son of the famous "Dictionary" Giles. Mr. Giles returned to Shanghai after the war to do welfare work, and has now retired in Albany.

Miss Marger Greenop, who has just come to Hong Kong from Southern Rhodesia, has joined the "China Mail" and Sunday Herald advertising department.

Miss Greenop, who is the daughter of Mrs. G. M. Dickinson, intends to stay in the Colony permanently.

A Fulbright research scholar, Mr. Hubert Freyn, came to Hong Kong last week to complete his book tentatively entitled "America, Communism, and The Chinese Mind."

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of the Kuomintang in 1949, and, in the light of past Chinese reformers, give an exploratory indication of what the Communists may be expected to accomplish and not to accomplish.

Mr. Freyn first came to China in September 1935 as an exchange scholar from the Chinese Department of Columbia University to Yenching University. He has an MA in Chinese from Columbia and a BS in economics from New York University.

He was born in Prague, then Austria-Hungary, and went to the United States in 1923. Professionally he started out to be an accountant.

Being in Yenching at the time of the student movement of 1935-6, he took part in the demonstrations and went with the students on their propaganda tour through the villages and towns.

The result was his first book "Prelude to War, The Chinese Student Rebellion of 1935-6." He then became editor of the "China Journal" in Shanghai, succeeding Mr. Arthur Sowerby, and joined the International Department of the Chinese Ministry of Information under Mr. Hollington K. Tong in Hong Kong, Chungking and New York.

After Pearl Harbor he served in the American Army Intelligence, then for a brief time in the Office of War Information. He returned to China in March 1946 with UNRRA.

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Fabian of the Yard—No. 10:

AN UNDERWORLD MEDAL FOR TACKLING A BOMB

By Robert Fabian

In 1939, when the shadow of approaching war lay over England, sudden shattering explosions rocked London.

They were bombs, home-made affairs planted by Irish extremists, exploded in other parts of the country. Innocent people were killed. Pillar-boxes and mail vans were wrecked, shops and banks shattered.

Wild-eyed young Irishmen were arrested, sentenced to long terms of penal servitude. Some were hanged. It was a miserable squabble.

The first time I had anything to do with it was a hot summer night, June 24, in the year 1939, just two hours from midnight. I was then a Detective Inspector at Vine-street, with London's recently formed Vice Squad.

I was tapping out a lengthy report on a certain sinful club using one of Scotland Yard's wobbliest typewriters, when there came a great explosion from the east. The police station windows shattered. A gust of hot air whammed in out of the room, ruffled my papers.

I snatched my gas mask off its hook (we had already been issued with them), ran to the cadillac circus.

Probably was crowded with people. I pushed and scrambled through the crowds. At the corner of Glasshouse-street and Piccadilly, the pavement was littered with broken glass. Hundreds of feet scrunched at cinders and boxes from the windows of a tobacconist's shop. I saw scattered headless feet. Delicate silk lingerie from the most shop shimmied in a crumpled heap on the floor.

I scrambled through the policeman's breastless and stood there against the badly damaged shop with the farthest smell of explosive rankling in my nostrils. Nearly all the twinkling advertisement lights of Piccadilly Circus had been blown into dark

We have a living in the Metropolitan Force. "Give us an eye a chance." I stood there in the heart of this hubbub, and let my eyes rove.

Under bustling feet, on the badly-lit pavement, among the cinders, masonry chips of silk underclothes and glittering shards of a myriad broken window glass fragments, I saw a parcel had been behind the Traffic Indicator Post. A brown paper parcel.

The bomb in the parcel

Perhaps the explosion had blown it there. I stopped to examine it. My heart began to move with mild excitement. The parcel was not merely fastened with string. There were two black strips of ominous adhesive tape. I touched the parcel. It was a hot as a brick. It was a bomb.

I shouted to the two nearest C.I.D. men, Sergeant Burgess and Constable Saul. "Keep the crowd back. I think there's another bomb."

I picked up the brown paper parcel gingerly, dry-lipped, looked round for a bucket of water, while Burgess and Saul coolly shoved the crowd back.

There was no fire-bracket. The parcel seemed to get hotter. I grasped the parcel, needed to do something quickly, and with a strangely lonely dread I realized that it was up to me to do it.

I knelt on the pavement, took out my pocket knife, and cut the string, the adhesive tape. I unwrapped the parcel parcel at one end pulled out something that felt like a sausage wrapped in green paper.

The crowd had fallen silent. Almost I hoped it was not a sausage, somebody's lunch. They would have laughed.

Sliced with a penknife

It wasn't. It was gellignite. Yellow, sortish, like marzipan, smelling sickly grey. Another yellow, wrapped in sausage another seven plump doz sticks of Polar Ammon. Gellignite. I placed them at intervals along the pavement, so if one exploded the other might not catch its detonation.

From the eighth stick of gellignite a pencil-fuse stuck out. I allied the paste explosive with my knife, and removed the fuse, not knowing then—as I do now—that a knife-blade can explode gellignite if it rasps upon the grit in it.

There seemed no sense in placing the fuse on the pavement for some clumsy onlooker to step on. I put it in my pocket, pulled out from the parcel two more plump sticks of brown gellignite, making a total of 40 ounces.

Then, at the bottom of the parcel was a heap of grey powder.

der, and in it a green rubber balloon, with a brown wax cylinder inside it.

I pulled this apart, blistered my hands with acid, then the fire brigade clattered up, engines glittering red. They had yards of hoses, tanks of water, but no fire buckets. I took that diabolical gellignite. So I hacked all the sticks to ribbons like toffee with my knife to make sure there were no hidden detonators.

Somebody breathed down my neck. I looked up. It was one of the West End's most notorious pick pockets.

Crook said, "be careful!"

"Get to blazes out of here, Charlie!" I said urgently. "This could explode." "Anything I can do, Guv'nor?" he said. "No, thanks, Charlie." I was hacking the gellignite sticks. Then Sergeant Burgess stepped

checking up all thefts of gellignite and underworld sources of supply.

There had been raids on quarries in Derbyshire and the Midlands. A house was traced in Birmingham where 60lb of gellignite had been hidden in a sofa, then smuggled by truck to two lodging-houses in Leinster-gardens.

I was given the job of raiding these houses, where police watchers had told us the fanatics were still hiding out.

We knew they had guns. My chief asked: "Taking any revolvers on your raid, Fabian?" I thought a moment, then shook my head. "They don't hate the police, sir," I said. "There's nothing personal in this."

"If my men don't take guns I think the Irish will fight it out with fists!"

So we went unarmed. I knew my men preferred it that way. But we were not quick enough—our quarry had gone.

They left a clue. A torn-up letter had been thrown into the

door, the wanted Irishmen hastily switched off all lights in the house.

Suitcase was ticking...

Then a skylight on the dark roof reflected moonlight for an instant as it was raised. Watchers surrounding the house saw six figures crouched on the roof against the moon. Three were New I.R.A. men. The others were Inspector Len Crawford and two of his men.

There was a reckless scuffle on the slanted, creaking tiles. Then Crawford had his captives handcuffed.

At once, the arrested men seemed in a hurry to get to goal. This aroused Inspector Crawford's suspicions. To those of his men who were quickly searching the house, he called a warning: "steady—I think we're going to find a bomb."

He did in a suitcase were four boxes packed with sickly-smelling gellignite and clock-detonators that were already ticking.

One tug at a wire might have blown up the house.

"Keep out of here," said Crawford coolly. He carefully dismantled each ticking bomb. A couple of days later I received a mysterious telephone message: "Have you got a minute to spare, Guv'nor?"

demanded a hoarse Cockney voice. "Why?" I was suspicious. "Well," breathed the voice confidentially, "come to the billiard saloon and ask for Bill, an' who knows but yer might find out something."

It chuckled softly, and rang off.

I don't suppose any policeman could ignore an invitation like that. I went. At the billiard saloon a character whom I knew as 'Sarge' during bungal said: "Bill's in 'ere, Guv'." He led me across a dimly back street and threw open a door.

They patted my back

I blinked. It was a big room, and there must have been more than 50 people in it. I knew them all, included in that crowd were the pick of London's underworld. Most of them were grouped around a bar, and all had drinks in their hands. As I hesitated in the entrance, wondering what was the trick, they saw me

scurried forward, noisily.

In an instant I was surrounded, swept up against the bar, a huge whisky thrust into my hand, a five-shilling cigar into my mouth. Large hands patted my back. Some men were well-dressed, some ragged. All were grinning hugely. There was no malice in their faces.

Then a large man—a notorious London gang leader—upon whose thick fingers glittered diamonds—probably, I fear, stolen—held up a hand for silence. He made a little speech. I hoped I would not take it amiss, but some of the boys had been on the "Dilly" that night when the bombs went off. They thought I'd saved a few lives—and well,

would I mind accepting this—a packet was put in my hands.

I opened the package. It was a beautiful little bronze medal, about as big as a penny, on a blue silk ribbon. Laurel wreaths on one side, and inscribed on the other.

To Detective Inspector, Bob Fabian, For Bravery, 24-6-39, From 'The Boys'.

I still have that medal from the men of London's underworld. I keep it in the same drawer as the King's Medal for Gallantry (the Police V.C.) that was presented to me by His Majesty at Buckingham Palace on February 6, 1940, for the same incident.

NEXT WEEK: Fabian tells the story of the witchcraft murder that took place in Warwickshire.

Policewoman met gang

The meeting place was a cafe. We needed to follow them from this cafe to their new hide-out. How to do this? They would suspect even a disguised detective.

"Let me go," said a pretty, intelligent-eyed young police-woman. It was a dangerous job. She was disguised by an expert and sent off to the grubby little cafe.

Later that evening, as Len Crawford waited at New Scotland Yard his phone rang. It was the young police-woman, her voice calm. "I got talking to one of the men," she reported. "He bought me a coffee. They live at No. 11, he gave an address in Leinster-gardens, and added: 'They arrived there last night!'"

The search warrant was promptly completed. Crawford's men climbed into cars.

This time, lucky! Started from their hiding-place by the first thud of police fists on the front

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NEW YORK LETTER



The King gave some of his Socialist Ministers an object lesson in the art of good manners when he expressed the nation's sincere thanks for all that Americans have said, done and given for Britain during the past year.

Official thanks should have come from No. 10 Downing Street long ago. True, various Ministers a little further away from the London School of Economics than their colleagues have made oblique references to the American sacrifice on our behalf.

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But Americans from Tampa to Topeka have felt that the Socialists could not have any deep-down appreciation of the capitalist gifts and so they were perfectly prepared to assume the role of a relative who has handed out large donations to less fortunate members of the family but who doesn't really expect any more than a brief note of thanks.

The King's moving tribute to American generosity, backed by the reaffirmation of Britain's desire to stand once for all on her own two feet, made Christmas a pleasant one for Britons in New York.

British time is five hours ahead of New York's, so the King's message from Sandringham was a common talking point round many American dinner tables.

Later in the day radio bulletins replied. Before the accents of their own President's family Christmas at Independence, Missouri, they reported how "The British monarch spent the great day in his Norfolkshire home with his family." Before supper Americans knew that Queen Mary and "Bonnie Prince Charlie" were also there and that Princess Elizabeth was in Malta with her husband.

Everyone knows that the royal family is as popular in America as in Britain. Therefore it was fitting that Britain's thanks to American friends should finally come from the King.

New York's Christmas was as un-American as New York. While

would I mind accepting this—a packet was put in my hands.

I opened the package. It was a beautiful little bronze medal, about as big as a penny, on a blue silk ribbon. Laurel wreaths on one side, and inscribed on the other.

To Detective Inspector, Bob Fabian, For Bravery, 24-6-39, From 'The Boys'.

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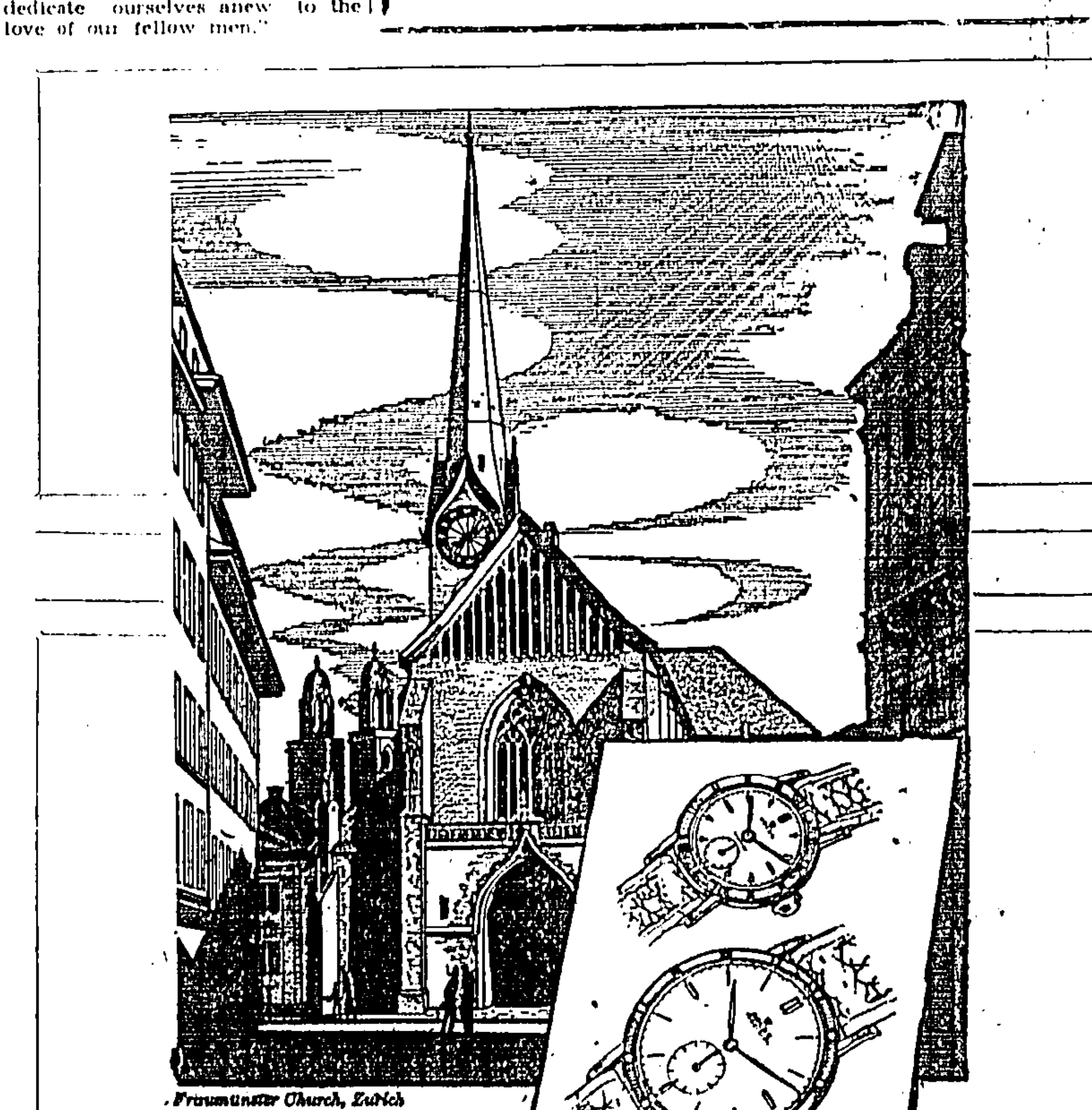
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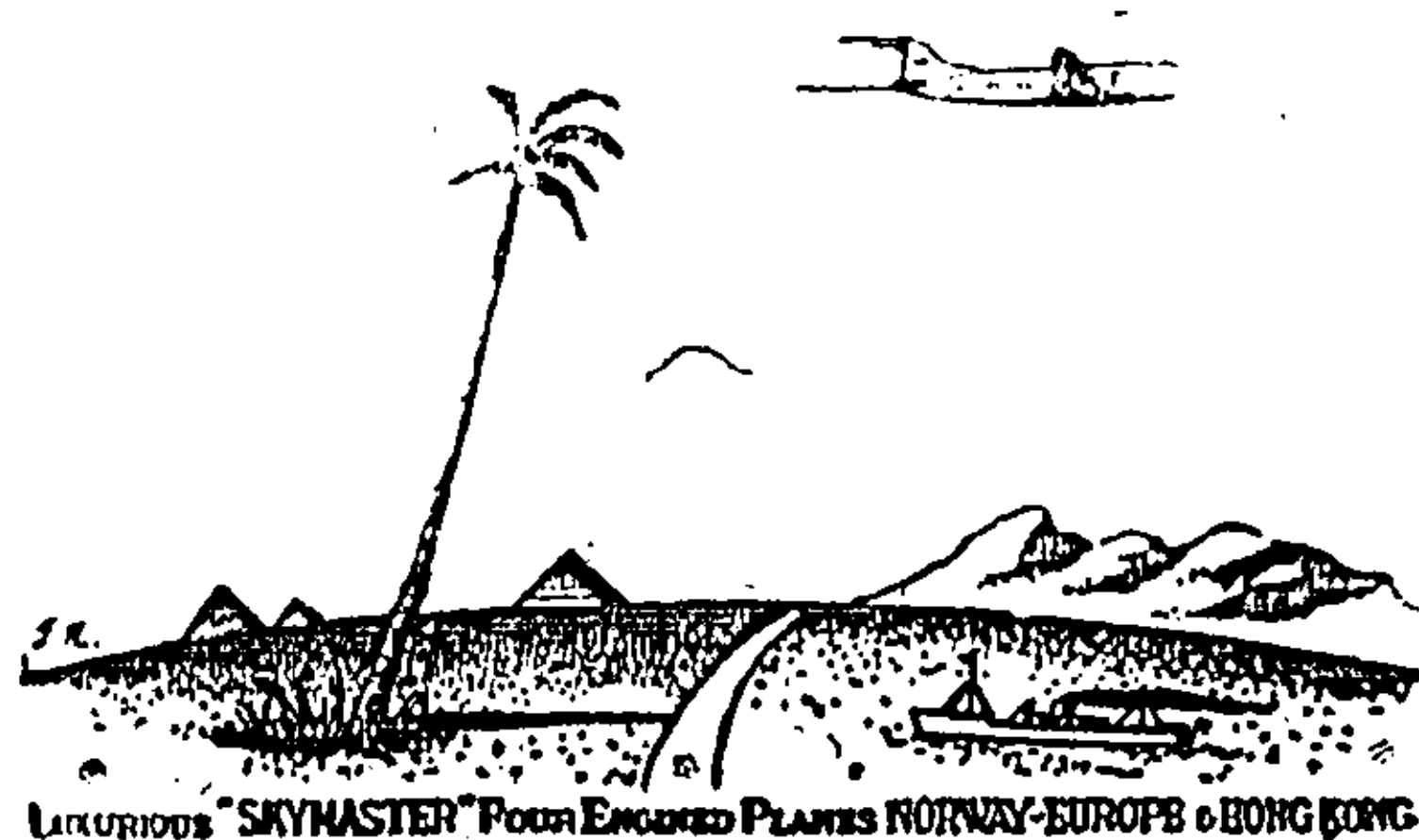
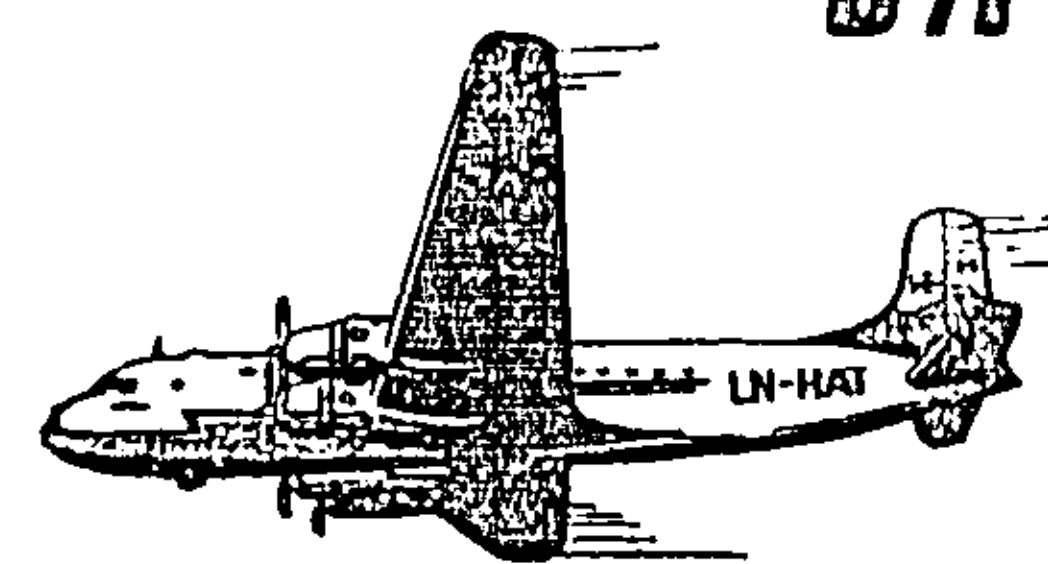
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DEATH

HO KONG TONG, CBE, passed away peacefully on 14th January, 1950, at his residence, Kom Tong Hall, Lower Castle Road, in his 80th year after a prolonged illness. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. No flowers by special request, but donations may be given to charities.

TALKING IT OVER

The United States has done great things in Europe, and met disaster in China. It is now thinking its way loudly to a re-evaluation of policy in the Far East. Republican critics, with their swingtime dissensions, have had the lead far too long. They left the American people, and the world at large, with the feeling that they had a policy if a bad one — and the Government none at all. No doubt the Secretary of State intended to wait until Dr. J. Edgar Hoover had ended his tour and rendered his findings. After all, the problem is one not merely of laying down new lines of policy, but of getting as much authority and expertise as possible behind it. If only to balance the exceptional weight which attaches to General MacArthur's views.

Mr. Dean Acheson has now hit back vigorously and in some respects positively. His speech at the National Press Club revealed the lines along which he and his Department are now thinking. He has cut through the confusion between Communism or Socialism as a domestic policy and Communism as a new form of aggressive Imperialism—a very timely thing in view of the current hysteria which is altogether too indiscriminate. He has gone back to the first principles of American foreign policy.

These are the Open Door in China and opposition to Imperialism. Fifty years ago, when they were enunciated most emphatically, Russia had Manchuria in the bag and threatened to overrun all North China. Her forces had a line stretching all the way from Khabarovsk to the Siberian border with Outer Mongolia, through Ula, Peking, Tongshan, and Dairen to Vladivostok. That in turn was a logical development of Russian expansion Eastward of the Ural and Southward to the borders of Persia and India. The only difference between the situation then and now is one of detail and of infinitely greater efficiency in technique and control. The new imperialism is, too, far more bold and unashamed, as the open browbeating of Tito and the events in Czechoslovakia and other satellite States have shown.

The true line of battle is depicted by the case of Yugoslavia. Here is a country even more Communist than the present Government in China. For Peking operates under a Common Programme drafted after intense and often heated discussion with minor parties. Yugoslavia is trying to apply a policy which Tito and his colleagues believe to be, in the best interests of their own people. Every conceivable form of pressure has been brought to bear upon it by the Kremlin, save armed invasion. It has refused to be blown down by threats, to be exploited by Russian ideas of economic reciprocity, or to lie down at Stalin's feet.

The pattern is new and yet old. It has been repeated

NOW ON TO ACT TWO

The new year is a time for stocktaking, a season at which men review the past and contemplate the future.

They look back upon what they have done and, seeking to learn something both from success and failure, they take decisions as to the principles that shall guide them in the days that lie ahead.

The end of half a century should be an occasion of greater importance and solemnity than the end of the year, and should provide a suitable opportunity for the human race to meditate on its achievements.

When day broke on January 1, 1900, the hopes of humanity were rising. Great Britain was still engaged in a small colonial war in South Africa, but the rest of the world was at peace.

There had been no war between what were then called the Great Powers for 30 years, and many clever people believed that such wars would never happen again.

Science and progress were the watchwords of the age, and were about to create a better world in which all men would be equal, free and friendly.

Tragic has been the disillusionment. This half-century, that did so fair to be happy and prosperous, has been more fraught with calamity than any previous period of man's evil history.

Never before within so short a while have so many human beings been killed in war, maimed for life, tyrannised over, imprisoned, tortured, and enslaved. Never has mankind's production in art, literature, music, or philosophy been more meagre or on a lower standard. Never has the dismal failure of humanity been more apparent.

If this verdict be accepted, and while some may find it exaggerated, nobody can maintain that it is wholly false. We ought to inquire into the causes responsible for the failure of the 20th century so far, in the hope of discovering some way of avoiding a repetition of our errors.

Causes of war Wars are only the hideous symptoms of a deep-rooted disease. We cannot prevent them by stupid disarmament agreements any more than we can prevent smallpox by rubbing ointment into the spots.

We have got to discover the causes in order to prevent the disease, and it would perhaps be a good thing if some of our scientists were to study the pathology of politics rather than the development of atomic energy.

The causes of war in the past have been mainly economic, religious, and dynastic. Man is a hungry animal and one who, given good conditions, breeds rapidly. As his numbers increase, his demand for land, the source of food and wealth increases, and he begins to prey

upon his neighbours, especially if his neighbour's land is more fertile than his own. But he is also a religious creature. The majority of man-kind believe, and has always believed, passionately in something that cannot be proved. He has a character, a character, very important in the sphere of politics—he likes to be led.

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By Sir Duff Cooper

Why men march Sometimes this third characteristic is confused with the second. "For God and the King" was the cry for which in olden days men were willing to lay down their lives. The two names contained, for those who believed in them, all that was of value, divine and human.

The world has changed less than we fancy. "Marxism and Stalin" mean for many today all that "God and the King" meant for others in the past.

For I have never heard that either of these modern despots has tried to show that there was any difference in their philosophies, or in their interpretation of the words of their prophet.

From the point of view of the politician every religion should be examined as to its potentiality for war. Buddhism in the most pacifist religion, Mohammedanism the most warlike.

Where does Communism come in this category? And is it likely to start another war? My own belief is that it is not a fighting faith, but it is not a menace to the peace of the world.

The fatal flaw In the first place, Communism's favorite slogan (which means war) at the present time is that it stands for peace, and much of the support it obtains comes from those who believe in its sincerity.

In the second place, I cannot see that Russia, the headquarters of Communism, has anything to gain by war. The Russians have sufficient territory, sufficient food and raw materials, sufficient power and money.

Any increase in the support controlled by Moscow can only increase the responsibilities, the difficulties, and the problems of the Politburo.

In the third place, I believe that Communism is a religion of force. Considered as a religion it contains one fatal flaw. It has promised to its adherents their reward in this world.

The older faiths have outgrown the stage of conversion by the sword, and dictators, it seems, do not breed here. So that, if my view of Communism be accepted, we should be safe from religious or dynastic wars in the future.

Will it succeed? Will the experiment of independence succeed, as India, Pakistan and Ceylon have succeeded? Or will it fail, as Burma has failed? The answer directly concerns about 50 million people, of whom nearly 40 million live on the crowded island of Java.

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foreseeable future. There remains, however, the danger of the war that has its origin in economics.

To be solved

The two wars that have gone far towards ruining the civilised world in the past half-century were both prepared, plotted, and declared by the German people. It became the fashion after the first one to say it was all the fault of the Junkers, a small group of aquires living principally in East Prussia, and during the second one the National Socialist Party was made the scapegoat, although we have since learnt that such an enormous majority of the population were Nazis that, even now, it is impossible to carry on the administration of the country without their active co-operation.

These plain facts should convince the unprejudiced that the German problem, unless and until it has been solved must remain the most vital one for the future of Europe. Have we solved it by defeating Germany in two wars? What steps are we taking now towards its solution?

For many centuries the Germans, divided into different States and, later, following different religions, made a rich contribution to the civilisation of Europe. For 80 years only they have been a united nation.

Divided, they produced inventors, poets, musicians, and philosophers—and did no harm to any one. United they have produced nothing but aggressive war.

Therefore, to reason the statesmen of today, the first thing we must do is to restore United Germany—this modern nation born of blood and iron and the only one that loves war for its own sake.

Just as Russia has no cause for making war so has Germany every cause. Children never will and never have accepted the stern doctrine that the sin of their fathers shall be visited upon them. Gladly as were the crimes of their fathers, the generation growing up in Germany today need more territory in Europe. They long for colonies overseas. They are a brave and warlike people, and they have two wars to avenge.

They have the enormous strategic advantage of inhabiting the lands that lie between the great opposing powers of East and West. They can throw in their lot with either, or play one off against the other. Every day they are growing stronger.

The curtain is about to rise on the Second Act of the 20th Century. Will the few years of unquiet peace that we have just experienced prove only a prelude to a long period of disaster, or may they be prolonged, as most men and women must now be praying, into a lasting period of Peace on Earth?

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YOUTH TODAY STILL HAS ITS CHANCES

By Field Marshal Lord Ironside

The other evening while sitting in my club I overheard a man tell his neighbour that the spirit of adventure was dead in Britain these days. He went on to say that there was so much talk of welfare and security that our young people were afraid to venture forth into the world and try their luck.

I began to wonder if this were true. Of a sudden there came into my mind a piece of advice given me by Winston Churchill. It was early in the war. I had met him on a visit shortly after I had been offered an appointment. I did not much fancy it.

My mind was hovering over the answer. The challenge He told me the story of Sir John French, just before the outbreak of the 1914-18 war; how he had always had in mind the possibility of being called upon to command a British Army in the field; how he felt himself compelled to resign his appointment as Chief of the Imperial General Staff through political considerations, and how in a matter of weeks he had been offered command of the British Army.

I told Mr. Churchill that such a thing was written to a man's fate. He turned to me in that quick way of his and said: "I don't know whether such things are written for you or not, but meanwhile you must do nothing to prevent their fulfilment if they are."

What a challenge there is to us here! I turned back in my mind now, as I sat in my club, to these words and I thought of my own native land in the North of Scotland.

Surely, I thought, knowing them, our own young men were not holding back from what was written for them—holding back for some dull, fancied security. For I knew them to be born of people who have always taken their fate in both hands.

Not for waste I try to think of what they must be thinking, and I see that, as they look out on the world, affairs must look black and forbidding. But if our youth now feel that the times deny them something, does not our history show frequently that it was just this uncertainty in the past that offered the very challenge by which our ancestors have been accustomed to respond, and in

nal interference. But such is not at all the case. Instead she comes in the front rank of these States of South East Asia against which a special Communist campaign is being directed. The Russians began it before their party, under Mao Tse-tung, had conquered China; they can now prosecute it much more effectively in the light of that enormous victory.

Communist control of Indonesia, following on Communist control of China, would carry Russian power in Asia to a very alarming peak. It would especially affect our own position in Malaya.

Indeed the whole strategic balance in the Asiatic seas would be transformed. Already under the pre-air naval conditions Java had extreme importance for strategy; and it has at least as much in these days of air-power. Happily no such contingencies have yet arisen, and we are entitled to wish success to the newborn State. It is not a small

responding fashioned, as it were, the mould and the mettle out of which character, as a people has grown.

What we have, therefore, is ours not to waste. If the times are black now, how infinitely blacker they must have looked to men like Patrick Gordon of Auchleuchries—the great General of Peter the Great of Russia, and to James Keith, young brother of the late Earl Marischal—Field-Marshal of Frederick the Great of Prussia; and how black, too, to Alexander Leslie, Earl of Leven, the General of Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden and leader of the Scottish Army in the days of the Covenanters.

These three men were soldiers. And soldiers were wanted in their time. So they went forth—and penniless. One was even an attained outlaw.

It is not of course, to soldiers alone that the challenge of the times is revealed, although it is often forgotten that fighting men are required to guarantee the security of a nation.

Have they gone? If it is true to-day that our young people are persuaded that commercial opportunity through adventure, and enterprise through spirit and native genius, are gone, they might call to mind Donald Smith, Lord Strathcona, the great Canadian administrator and his cousin George Stephen, Lord Mountstephen.

Both these great men did much to establish the Canadian Far West, and in doing so they amassed great fortunes. Nor did they forget their native provinces when affluence came to them, and through their help many a lad from the North was able to take his chance in a career abroad.

And that great missionary Alexander Murdoch Mackay, a pupil of Aberdeen Grammar School—a man who laboured so long in the cause of Africa and who now lies buried on the shores of Lake Victoria Nyanza.

As my memory wanders along to my own time, I recall many more names. I recall James Meston, a Governor of a Province in India and a Chancellor of Aberdeen University; Sir Patrick Duncan, a Governor General of the Union of South Africa; William Lyon Mackenzie King, a Prime Minister of Canada; and Peter Fraser, a Prime Minister of New Zealand. An imposing list of men from whom to gain inspiration.

Up and doing Many may think that opportunities enjoyed by these men now no longer exist. But were there not many more thousands of ordinary men who went out to the West Indies, to China, Malaya and Borneo, men who made their mark as merchant adventurers?

Whether a man's genius lies in his head or his hands the opportunities are still there for his grasping; certainly for his creating.

In this lies the real challenge to youth to-day. For just as the glittering prospects seldom turn out to be the sweetest reward, so the meanness of the times is not the reflex of its prospects. Youth must be up and doing, and if they find no real inspiration in the surface opportunity, and offers that come easily to hand, they may find it in the words of Teucer:

Great as the debt is we owe to the quick, it is ought when compared with the vast. The unreckoned sum of the debts we owe to the still, strong folk of the past.

May the race never lower its standard of worth, nor depart from its onward trend. Seeding always the truth, breathing hope on its march, saluting its Mighty Dead.

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By Scrutator

both be members of a Netherlands Union, of which the Dutch Queen is the head. The tie is analogous to that of the British Commonwealth.

The new State received immediate full recognition from Great Britain, Australia, Canada, South Africa and the United States. It was launched under favourable auspices, with cordial expressions of good will from Indonesians and Dutch alike.

The Dutch military forces are to be withdrawn or disbanded within six months. The slight delay seems wise; it will give the new State a short breathing-space wherein to organise sufficient police forces of its own.

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Divers fought time and tide in vain today for a sign of life in the wreck. Ten bodies have been given up by the sea.

ATLANTIC SEARCH FOR SHIP

Boston, January 13.

The U.S. Westover Air Force Base said today that an American rescue plane from its base at Blue West One, Greenland, is searching for the Danish vessel Maigen, missing off the West coast of Greenland since January 9.

The plane has not yet reported sighting the vessel.

At St. Johns, Newfoundland, it was reported that American planes from Goose Bay, Labrador, and Greenland are searching for the West coast of Greenland for the Maigen.

It has been reported that the converted fishing craft Maigen was on her way from Godthaab, Greenland, to an unidentified U.S. military base in Greenland with supplies.

Among the nine persons on board was Commander G. de Lichtenberg, Chief of Greenland's Naval Command.

Royal Canadian Air Force search rescue headquarters at Halifax ordered one of its planes at Greenwood, Nova Scotia, to fly to Greenland and help in the search.

Other planes in the search are from the U.S. Air Force Coast Guard. Associated Press.

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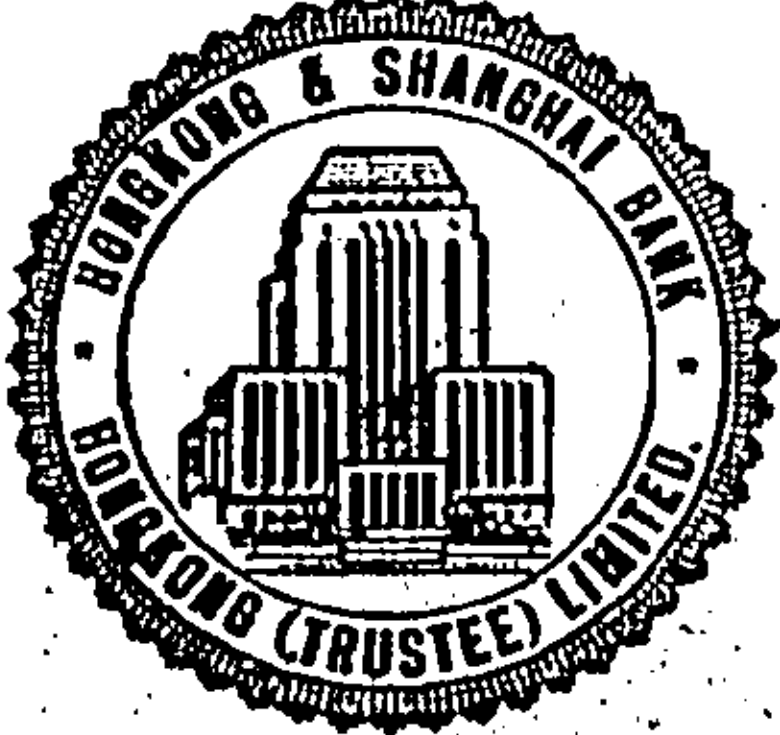
Tokyo, January 14.

The Japanese Government will guarantee foreign investors the right to take profits out of Japan, or even withdraw their capital, under plans being drafted to encourage capital, the news agency Kyodo reports.

The Government would also guarantee the conversion of Japanese yen to the foreign currency required.

These particular guarantees would apply only to investments made since Japan's surrender.

There would be no guarantees offered on the withdrawal of capital, however, until it had been invested in Japan for at least three to five years.—Reuter.



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Truculent's fine record in Pacific

London, January 13.
The British submarine Truculent, which sank off the mouth of the Thames after a collision on Thursday night, sent at least 20 Japanese ships to the bottom in World War Two.

She also laid mines off the island of Penang, the important Malayan tin and rubber shipping centre, and carried out several secret operations.

Truculent was a patrol-type undersize boat, launched at Barrow in 1942. She operated on the Russian convoy route during 1943 and the following year was sent to the Far East.

One attack on a Japanese convoy, Truculent dived after firing her torpedoes and hit the sea bottom at only 58 feet. She stuck in the mud but depth charges fired by the Japanese warships in the convoy shook her loose.—Associated Press.

VIETMINH ATTACK REPULSED

Saigon, January 13.

Villagers, supported by French and Vietnamese troops, drove off Vietminh forces who attacked the village of Thang, South West of Vinh Yen, 23 miles North West of Hanoi, a French communique announced today.

The attackers left four dead and one mortal behind.

Another Vietminh attack was reported to have been beaten off by a self-defence group in the village of Trai Tang, about 18 miles South West of Hanoi.

French planes successfully bombed an important war factory in Vietminh-held territory, the communique said.

The Vietminh Ministry of Information today suspended until further notice four Vietnamese newspapers published here.

The Ministry gave its reasons for the suspension as:

1.—The newspapers published letters and articles by students that could harm the March 8 agreement, by which France recognised Vietnam's independence within the French Union.

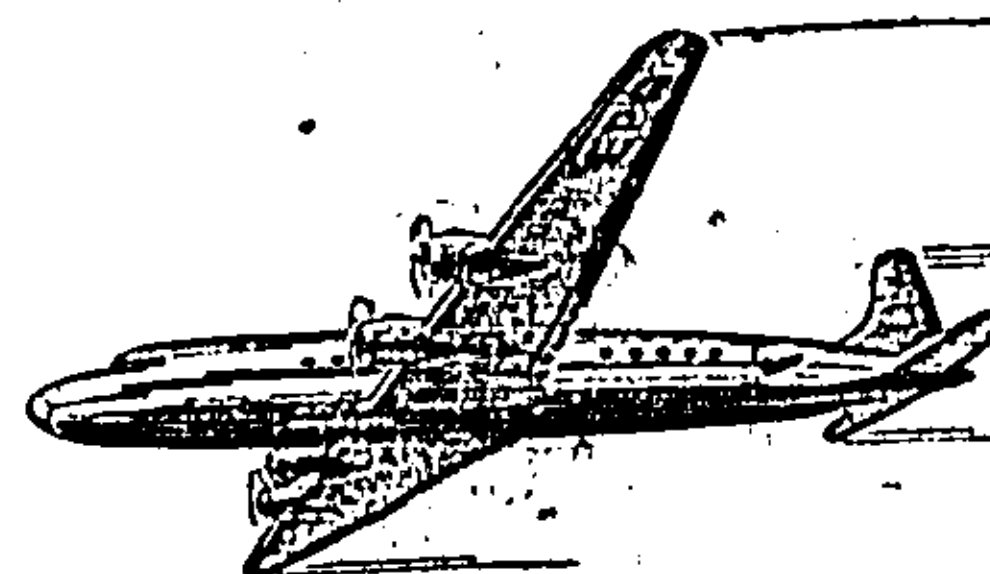
2.—They also published reports on the January 9 clashes between students and police in Saigon after a South Vietnam (Cochin-China) Government ordered that every newspaper to submit proofs and delete certain false reports regarding the number of casualties.—Reuter.

MESSERSCHMIDT IN INDIA

Bombay, January 13.

Professor Willi Messerschmidt, German plane designer who arrived in Bombay yesterday, told journalists before leaving for New Delhi today that he is ignorant of the purpose and duration of his visit to India.

Some earlier reports had said that he will design aircraft but others reported that he is to advise the Government on prefabricated houses. "All I can say is that I have been invited by the Indian Government and it is only when I get to Delhi that I shall know the exact nature of my mission," he said.—Associated Press.



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DRAMATIC TALE OF ESCAPE OUT OF SUBMARINE

Chatham, January 13.

"We lived in hopes," Able Seaman E.D. Choriton said today, recalling with a wan smile how he and eight companions escaped from the rear compartment of the sunken submarine Truculent.

AB Choriton and six companions — two civilians were absent — related a heart-stopping story of how they groped their way from the ocean bottom to safety. They spoke to over 50 reporters, newsreel and radio correspondents at Chatham Naval Barracks.

They were taken off the destroyer on which they had been patients since they were picked up last night.

The sum of their stories told how, after the submarine was wrecked with its first sickening lurch at 7.05 p.m., they lined up to wait their turn through the escape hatches.

Between 8.10 p.m. and 8.20 p.m. all of them were floating in the freezing water free of the terror of underwater death.

The nine men who escaped were trapped in the two after-compartments—the engine room and engineers' mess deck—when the submarine sank.

"We all lined up as though waiting for a bus," said Cook R. C. Fry. He grimly recounted how the men methodically turned the valves which partially flooded both compartments as the first step in the Davies escape procedure.

Then, holding tightly onto overhead pipes and covering up their anxiety with jokes, the sailors one by one dived under the surface of the water let into the compartment and into the bottom of the escape hatch, emerging through a layer of protective upper air into the water above.

Caught on wire

Some of them wore Davies oxygen helmets.

Others merely held their breath and went through the escape hatch.

"Everything went smoothly," said one of the survivors.

Smoothly, that is, except for trouble-haired A. E. Mossman, the engine room purser. He went through the escape process safely without benefit of an air mask—then while he rose towards the surface his body was caught on a guy wire.

"How long did it take you to get free?"

"I thought it was two hours," he said. "But it must have been just a couple of minutes."

There may have been others who escaped through the hatch but were never rescued, the survivors said. One man is known to have been swept out of the arms of his comrade, Engine Room Artificer E. C. Buckingham, and carried away by the tide.

"I tried to hold onto him, but could not," said Buckingham.

Little doubt

The survivors left little doubt in the minds of their questioners that they believed the remaining three compartments of the submarine—nearest the impact—had been flooded.

The man, who will testify at Chatham tomorrow in an official inquiry, met the reporters while they were drinking tea around a bare table in a second floor room of one of the barracks.

They were dressed in a motley collection of old clothes, obviously whipped together to replace those soaked by their immersion.

They explained that once they got to the surface they tried to stick together but gradually in the inky darkness drifted apart. They were picked up at varying intervals by the Swedish tanker which collided with the Truculent.

The escape hatch through which they made their way to freedom is 24 inches wide. There are similar hatches in other compartments. Special damage control lights giving a weak illumination burned during the operation. Some of the men also carried special waterproof torch lights.—Associated Press.

SUICIDE OF EX-ATTACHE

London, January 13.

Alexandre Bianco, 34-year-old former Attaché at the Rumanian Legation here, who was found dead in the gas-filled room of a West-End London flat on Monday, had his ears plugged, a small toy dog rested on his chest and an alarm clock was beside him on the floor, a police officer said at the inquest today.

Bianco's wife, Winifred, said that on January 8 her husband tried to commit suicide by taking sleeping tablets in Paris where he was formerly Rumanian Charge d'Affaires.

The Coroner returned a verdict of suicide when "balance of Bianco's mind was disturbed."

Mr. John Mosley, in whose flat Bianco had been staying, said he had heard of a suicide attempt by Bianco about two years ago.

Bianco had told him he was sorry that attempt had not succeeded. Mr. Mosley said he handed over to the police three letters he found in an attache case.

These letters were not read in Court but the Coroner referred to one as important.—Reuter.

Calcutta, January 13.

The police here arrested 12 people and seized some Communist literature in a series of raids on hide-outs throughout the city.—Reuter.

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Life among the Nudists: No. 6

NUDISM--ODD MIXTURE OF FORMALITY & INFORMALITY

By a special investigator

Nudism, as I have discovered in the course of my investigations into the movement, is an odd mixture of formality and informality.

It seems a contradiction—this emphasis on morality and extreme orthodoxy of sexual relations and the categorical demand for nakedness at mixed gatherings. A naked secretary, sitting at a trestle table and receiving naked visitors in an open field, with all the solemnity one would expect at the annual convention of a learned society.

Of a restaurant where the waitresses serve in a state of complete nudity with all the aplomb and bustle of the average restaurant. It takes a newcomer such as myself some time to accept these things as facts, but when I do, not and surprise have worn off one expects nothing else at such gatherings. Eventually everything seems a repetition of what one has seen and heard before.

Not young

However, having explored the activities of camps, clubs, and groups, and decided that on the whole nudists aren't very different from you and me except that nakedness seems to have a special importance for them, there remained a further question to answer: What is life like in a nudist hotel? How are they run, and what sort of people go there?

Several establishments advertise themselves as nudist hotels. In effect, they are nudist camps or clubs with specially comfortable living accommodation attached—very different from the humble clubs which have no more than a few chalets for hire, or perhaps just space to pitch a tent.

The brochures issued by some of these establishments are much the same as those issued by any other hotel except that they lay stress on the complete freedom of guests to be naked if they wish. Some go further and insist on complete nudity. One hotel in the West Country shows a naked waitress bringing morning tea to two ladies in bed; but the reality, so I was assured by somebody who was recently a guest there, was very different.

"If you go there," I was told, "you will find its guests consist almost entirely of elderly gentlemen who have taken to nudism late in life."

This is something that applies, anyway, to the majority of nudist establishments. Nudism does not attract young people in Britain, and the average age in practically all clubs is at least 40.

Eventually I decided on a visit to the Manor House Club at Cliff-ord Manor near Newent, Gloucestershire. It is a nudist hotel, but its catalogue differed from all the others in that there was not a naked person in it from cover to cover.

It is described as a "luxury holiday club for the naturalist" ("naturalist" being a euphemism for nudist).

Huge mirror

The illustrations are such as you would see in any catalogue,

though the luxurious appointments during the winter Mr. and Mrs. Baily were quite a contrast to the Spartan surroundings in most of the places I had so far visited.

There was a luxurious drawing-room with the usual armchairs, settees, reading lamps, and an overmantel; a formal dining-room; a billiards room, and artistically arranged gardens.

Here, the brochure, "nudism may hold away unspoiled by discomfort and petty commercialism. The club is for the genuine naturalist, and complete nudity is expected except when clothing is needed for warmth."

Having made it clear to the proprietors that I prefer clothing, whether necessary for warmth or shock and surprise have worn off one expects nothing else at such gatherings. Eventually everything seems a repetition of what one has seen and heard before.

A three-hour train ride from Paddington brought me to Gloucester, where the club manager, Mr. E. J. Graves, was waiting for me in a new Ford car. We went to the pretty village of Newent, nine miles away, and after another 2½-mile run we turned into the drive of a handsome manor house.

The house stands in 12 acres of ground, hemmed in by ancient pine forests, and two years ago was bought by Mr. Graves and his co-proprietors, Mr. Alan Baily and his wife, Dora.

Baily, a somewhat serious-looking young man of 34, greeted me at the doorway, wearing flannels, an open-necked shirt, and a sports jacket. He used to be a draughtsman in a firm making car accessories, while his wife was a schoolteacher in her home town, Lowestoft, and later in London.

I was shown my room, a typical better-class hotel bedroom, with a comfortable bed, and a basin with running hot and cold water. The window looked out on to a well-kept lawn, and in the distance a swimming-pool fed by a nearby stream.

I took a look around the premises. There are 12 main bedrooms, and a men's dormitory. There are numerous bathrooms, an elegant oak staircase, at the bottom of which is a huge mirror "so that guests can see themselves as they come down and pull themselves up in a slovenly manner."

Downstairs there is a comfortable lounge with a large radio-gram, a dining-room, and a large paneled dance-hall with a piano and a ping-pong table.

Good health

Mr. Baily explained that it was the end of the season—which starts at Easter and that in consequence, there were few guests at the moment, and the summer staff of three women had been laid off for the winter. A resident gardener and his wife, neither of whom is a nudist, attend to the grounds all the year round.

Occasional domestic help is brought in from the village, but

the weather isn't fine they can play in a special room which has toys and a rocking-horse. The charges are from five to eight guineas a week for full board and accommodation.

End of season

While we talked two more guests arrived. They were an auctioneer in his middle fifties from Herefordshire, and his wife. They could have been a married couple picked out of any town in Britain, and the last thought that would occur to a casual acquaintance would be that they were accustomed to throwing off their clothes and walking about naked.

The auctioneer was greeted by his christian name, and announced somewhat ruefully that he wasn't feeling quite as fit as he'd like. "The beginnings of a cold," he explained. "I know what it is. Remember when we played tennis the other day? I wore pants and a shirt. Must have caught cold through getting too hot."

As Mr. Baily and I strolled around the grounds I noticed four nude people, two men and two women, playing tennis on the hard court. I remarked on the absence of young nudists. "It's the end of the season," Mr. Baily explained. "Besides, people seem to take to nudism later on in life, rather than in their youth."

"Men also outnumber the women, but we try to preserve a balance here, so that women will not come here to find themselves hopelessly outnumbered by men. Most women, nudists or not, feel the same when they go for a holiday."

A Romance

When we sat down to an excellent three-course meal in the dining-room later in the evening everyone was dressed. Mr. Baily and his wife, and Mr. Graves did the serving.

Later, Lou Fowler arrived. He is an ex-RAF navigator in his early 40s, a member of the "Guinea-Pig Club" (Members of which have been saved from death by plane crashes), and a survivor of a plane crash in 1944, when he received burns so severe and extensive that he was not expected to live. He makes a modest living plying a car for hire and lives permanently at the club.

"Nudism not only gave me back some health, but helped me find a wife," he told me. "How could a man as injured as I am propose to a woman who had no idea what he looked like?"

"How could he be sure that after they had married she might not feel a physical revulsion at the sight or even the thought of his injuries?"

"As it was, my wife, whose maiden name was Nadia Radomir, and who was staying here as a guest a year ago, and I were quite accustomed to the sight of each other in the nude. We fell in love with each other, well knowing what we looked like and we are very happy in our marriage."

At the moment, because Manor House is a long and expensive ride from London, where Mrs. Fowler works, the couple cannot meet often. Lou just makes his small business pay its way, and cannot save money yet, but as things get better they hope to set up house together.

Sunday-morning was somewhat dismal. I had talked to Lou until late at night, and felt distinctly tired. What had woken me? I looked out on to the lawn below, wet with the morning dew and overhanging mist. There was a slight ice-cold drizzle, too.

In the distance the tent-dweller, completely nude, was racing towards the pond, into which he dived, splashing about with obvious pleasure. He was, closely followed by the 78-year-old soloist from Croydon, Julian Vaux.

Later they emerged dripping from the pool and raced around the lawn like athletes in training.

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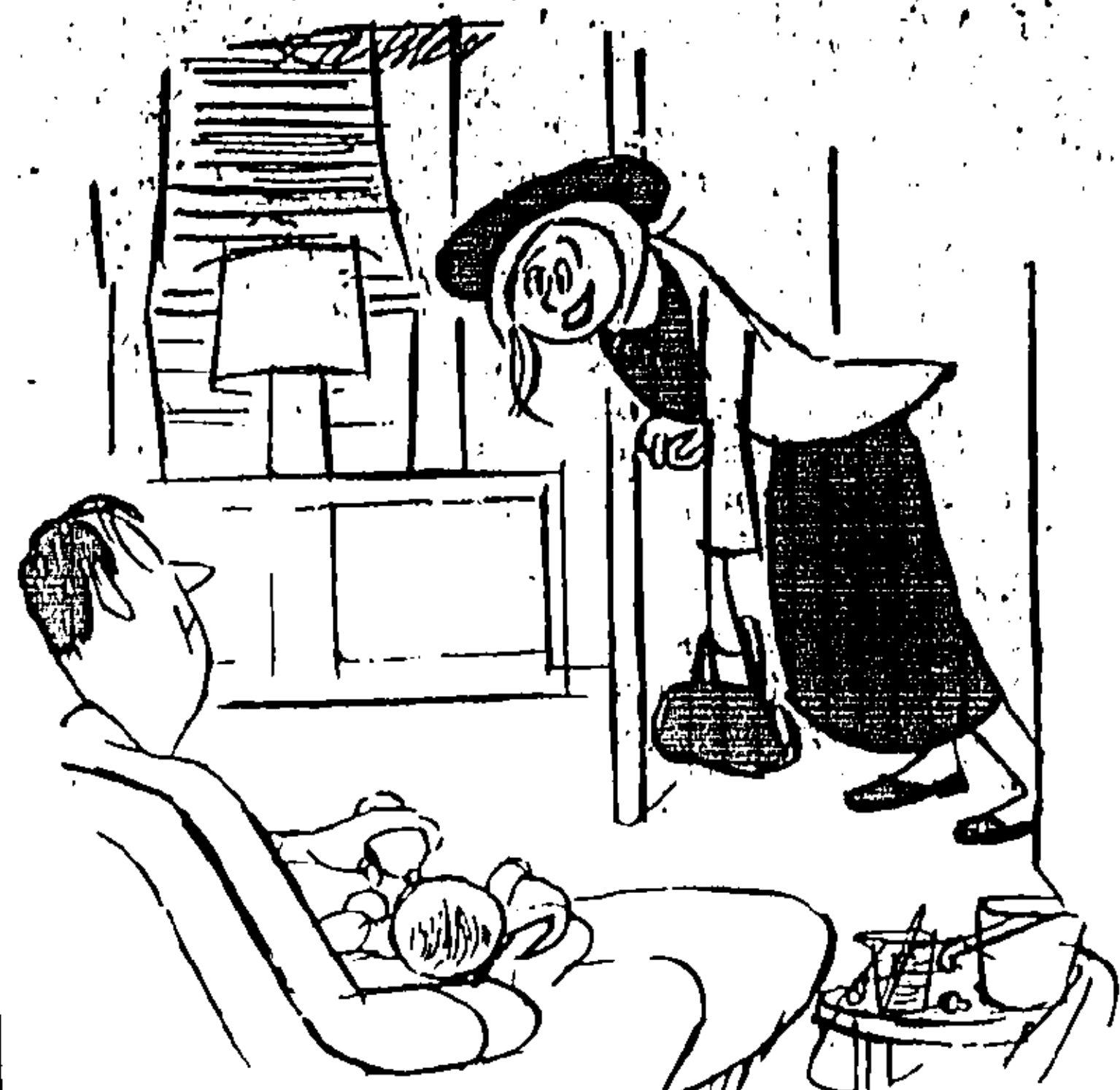


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Inside Information

By Mercury

The United States will conclude a commercial pact with India and make capital investments in the future republic.

The Lebanon has refused Britain transit facilities for oil to Haifa refinery, which is still blockaded by Arab States.

British shipbuilders have asked the Foreign Office to study Japanese methods of competition, which have captured important contracts in Europe.

Five Indian Princes want to form a properties company in London to administer and protect their assets.

Cyprus building big aviation fuel tankage, will become a British U.K. air base in the Mediterranean.

If the British sugar industry is nationalised, Jamaican planters plan direct trade deals with Europe, cutting out the U.K.

Expect a new savage purge of disillusioned Communists in Russia. The new party secretary, Khrushchev, will wield the axe for Stalin.

A non-stop jet courier service is being planned from Britain to Singapore with mid-air refuelling.

Fearing unemployment in the textiles industry, the Government is suspending its advertising campaign for juvenile labour.

Britain is suing the Anglo-Palestine Bank for possession of £2,000,000 raised from wartime sale of German assets in Palestine.

Allied officials in Western Berlin have asked for the air lift machinery to be kept in readiness for short notice requirements.

Air training in Britain for Jordan's Arab Legion officers has been under discussion in London.

Britain and the U.S. have received important data on Soviet cosmic ray research.

Iraq has obtained loans in the City of London totalling £3,000,000 for railway development.

Biggest American carrier Midway, of 55,000 tons, shipping 133 aircraft, will join the U.S. Mediterranean Fleet this month.

Mr. Attlee and Mr. Bevin are considering a post for Mr. Hector McNeill as Minister for European Affairs.

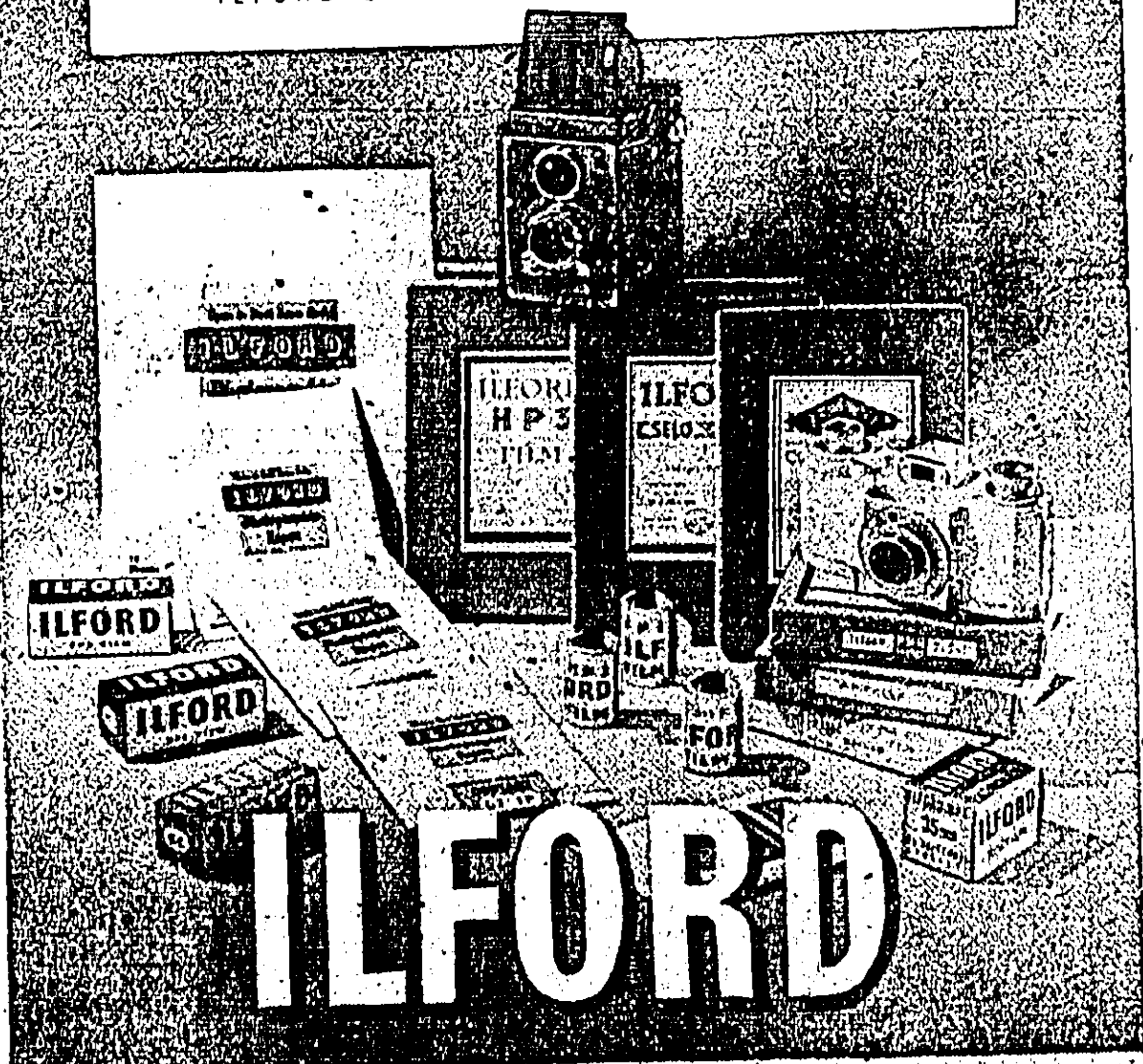
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Between Ourselves

On to spring with a warm frock

By Janet Martin

The best investment for a new addition to the 1950 wardrobe is a light, warm frock, to wear under your top coat now, and right on to the spring. New designs for the late season and early spring are already putting in an appearance, hinting at interesting modifications and original developments in the fashions to come for the new year.

One thing we can be certain of. There will still be more than enough variety of style to provide amply for every taste and every figure. Here are some fashion pointers from the advance collections which could be adopted for your first frock of the year.

There is a charming new version of the double skirt, with a special appeal for those who like a little fullness without bulk. Ideal for the light, soft woollens or woolen jersey.

The overskirt hangs smoothly, falling softly at sides and back, the front cut out in the shape of an inverted U from a few inches below the waist to the hem. The space left by the inverted U is filled by the soft folds of the underskirt, hanging from the waist in unpressed plaits.

More sophisticated

Quite different, and much more sophisticated is the latest button-through frock, with a twist. The buttoning curves like a lion's foot from throat to hem, emphasizing the slim silhouette and ultra-narrow hem. On one model, the buttoning edge is outlined by a wide band of contrasting colour—duck egg blue on black, and buttoned along the dead centre of the band with penny-sized black buttons.

Different again, and featuring the asymmetrical line so flattering to the fuller figure, are a number of wrap-around models. This mode gives the long, V neckline and graceful draping of bodice and skirt to the left, lines meeting at the left of the waist, where most designers focus attention by means of a bow, a clasp or tied scarf end. I am sure that many of us will be glad to see this line, one of the most graceful of all, retained in the 1950 collections.

The tall, slim girl, too, will be happy to see the newest modifications of the pet-top skirt. The exaggerated "jutting" line has been replaced by cleverly arranged folds pleated into the waistline, evenly matched on either side of the centre front seam and smoothing out below the hips to the straight, narrow hemline.

One London model, combining this skirt with a cross-over bodice with wide, loosely folded revers, is as perfect a style for the tall and over-slim as the asymmetrical style is perfect for the opposite type of figure.

Full skirt

If you like fullness in the skirt, you too will have a wide choice of styles. One of the most delightful—in fine, navy woollen crepe—has wide bishop sleeves, gathered into a tight, narrow band at the wrist. The high, round neck is finished with narrow piping and rolled the ends of the same material to make a bow. Dropped waistline, self piped at the lower edge, holds a full skirt of gathered panels—a frock with an appealing air of demure charm.

Finishing the collection with something very chic and ultra smart, is a slim little model in fine black wool, keeping its main interest at the back as a surprise when you remove your coat. The front view is quite plain, with narrow revers and small buttons to the waist, straight narrow skirt.

Turn around and it will be seen that those narrow revers lead on to a wing-like, double-pointed collar hanging down to the shoulder blades at the back, while the straight skirt has a loose panel like a back apron, caught at the waist.

U.S. as a woman sees it

By KAY MURRAY

Can you imagine, halfway through your soup, saying to the waiter: "I think I'll have a steak, well-done, with a baked potato," and seeing the steak appear sizzling hot as you lay down your soup spoon? (This is what you'd find on America's largest passenger ship, which is now equipped with a "radarange" which cooks food electronically.)

Imagine being able to cook a large steak and potato, which ordinarily would take an hour's cooking in a regular oven, in one and a half minutes!

If the liner's customer decides that the set all he really gives him an appetite, he can order hot gingerbread as a sweet and it will be on the table in the time that it takes the waiter to walk to the kitchen and back, plus 20 seconds cooking time.

A 12-pound roast, fairly well-done, takes 35 minutes instead of two and a half hours. Roast chicken with stuffing takes 10 minutes and an 8-pound duck 12 minutes.

Rad-range cooking is not only fast, it is clean and more appetizing, for the rapid cooking doesn't let the natural oils and juices escape.

An interesting collection of furniture has been on view in New York.

Plain clean lines and an understanding of the need for adaptability in furniture for small rooms was evident. Unusual woods such as Chippendale or platanus, walnut, Swedish knife-cut birch, elm and primavera gave character to the furniture and veneers appeared as a simple pattern on exposed surfaces.

One of the most successful pieces was a coffee table carved in beautifully marked walnut, standing 19 inches high and measuring 35 inches across.

However, if your friends coffee and sandwiches for two looks like turning into an invasion, you merely pull out a couple of centre boxes and tiddle the top like a piano stool.

In no time you have an oval table standing 29 inches high and measuring 64 inches across.

More table interest was shown in a piece specially designed for limited bachelor quarters in the form of buffet cupboard with adjustable shelves in its open top. What appeared to be a drawer, however, swivelled outwards and disclosed a hidden table at which two could sit comfortably.

If you look down the prospectus of a rather famous business college in New York, your eye will suddenly balk at the item, "Glamour Course."

It is no misprint, however. The college recently went into a huddle and applied scientific Gallup-Poll tactics to find out why some little blond with long eyelashes and a short-hand speed of 50 words a minute lands a job when her highly qualified competitor doesn't.

"I shouldn't have thought it needed a Gallup Poll found-out," However, the result of their inquiry is a course to guide job aspirants.

It is divided into seven parts and takes in hair hints, skin care,

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Paris designer Pierre Balmain teams starched white pique with black satin for this redingote from his recent collection featuring a forecast of spring. The bell-shaped sleeves are lined with white and turned back clear to the elbow. It is worn over a slim black satin skirt and a white pique blouse with Ascot tie clipped with a pendant diamond watch. A black satin cloche covered with starched white lace completes the ensemble.—Associated Press Photo.

Spring hats in London

A glimpse into the future was given to hundreds of women who recently attended a hat show organised by the Associated Millinery Designers of London, a prominent member of which is Aage Thaarup, hat designer to Queen Elizabeth and the Royal princesses.

Colours were clear and fresh and included Pale Morillo (a soft orange), Buckingham Blue, Green Pepper, Lemon Sou (a warm shade called Taffy Beige).

While pastel tells predominated, such materials as Leghorn and exotic straws were not forgotten. Crisp white grosgrain was used for many of the hats, often contrasting with navy felt or felt in more subtle shades such as mauve or green; but it was always used with another material.

When flowers appeared they were massed heavily. Tulle also made a welcome return, sometimes swathing a brim-line or cascading from the back of a hat. In fact, these cascades or curtains were enormously popular.

and Joyce production, including correction of speech faults. You learn about "The Basic You," and "How to get thin if you're fat," and "Vocal Verses." Social Actions and Mannerisms, office and home etiquette and "the whole Personality." Read you up to the final question, "How to win husbands and influence Bosses," though it doesn't appear under quite that heading.

and appeared on one hat in every six or seven.

Three distinct trends emerged. One was the Flemish peasant bonnet in a sophisticated choice of materials; another was the back of the head cloche; finally the hat with a squared brim with fan-like wings, giving the new back interest.

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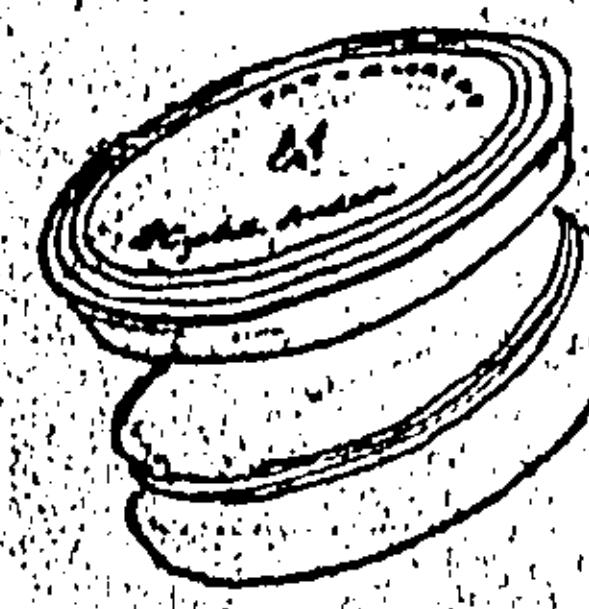
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Between Ourselves

SKIN CARE IN

By Claudia

Cold weather always brings its little crop of beauty problems, even when it is a very short and not very cold season like ours.

Cold reddens the nose for some noses, at least, of which more later, chilly winds roughen the skin. A few days of this treatment and gone is the soft, supple skin-feeling. The skin looks dry and make-up will not go on smoothly.

Whether you are a chilly model by nature, or whether you are a normal skin, even other day for the best cold weather beauty treatment comes from within and is dependent upon an increase in your intake of the warming nourishing foods.

So many of us are in the habit of eating food solely for comfort, and with that, with nothing and nothing to eat. We are not eating for health, but for comfort. During the cold season, when our system needs these things, and on all of them, without any noticeable increase in weight.

Use skin tonic
Cleansing only is best applied on a pad of cotton wool, worked in small upward circular movements. After cleansing, always use a little skin tonic to remove the last traces of cream or lotion and to close the pores. Tonics are particularly important at this time. The skin needs a tonic, consistent every day, morning and night, when possible. Once or twice a week, warm olive oil should be used instead of the tonic, smoothed gently into the skin and left on for 10 minutes. Creams, which they do not require so much, or so rich, a skin food, are also likely to acquire a surface roughness in the cold weather. If skin food is used only every other night, on the alternate night use a soothing skin balm or complexion milk.

Stop up your diet

If you feel the cold, it is a sure sign, likely, that you are underweight. It is a case of "Am I right?" So stop up your diet, and you won't need to spend so much time looking in the mirror. For skin treatment, the best attention is to the head, because it is cut off from the rest of the body. Use a little skin tonic, or a little skin food, on the face, and this is one of the reasons why a little extra weight is so important. Soap and water do not dry the skin, but at the time the skin needs more oil, the fat substance.

Ann Temple Bringing up Junior

My son aged eight has had a number of books as Christmas presents. Some of them I consider most suitable. He reads anything he can get hold of.

I feel I ought to direct his taste in reading, but when books are given as presents I suppose he ought to be allowed to read them.

The best way to direct his stage is to put the best in his way, for the best is not only the enemy of the mediocre but the deterrent of the inferior.

Here's a good indirect way of guiding children's reading. Encourage them to create their own library. Give them a shelf of their own and let them design and make their own book covers and book plates.

This being a job which has taken time and thought, they will be naturally proud of it, and they will consider what books deserve to be given the special privilege of book cover, plate, and place on the shelf.

The plan gives parents the opportunity to discuss the merits of a book with their children, but, but very far from least, is included that good lesson—the care and good handling of books.

I have been told that worry makes one thin. I worry constantly.

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WINTER TIME

Equality, freedom for women.

By Dorothy Kenyon

"Equality of rights for man and woman," "Fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion," these are the two great planks in the Charter of the United Nations from which the Commission on the Status of Women derives its power.

Women are people, says the Charter of the United Nations, and women's rights are human rights.

The great battle for human rights, which has been going on all over the world, is inseparable from the battle of women for their individual freedom.

They, too, want to be regarded as responsible adult human beings in a free world. The United Nations recognises their right to be regarded as such and is anxious to help them win recognition.

The purpose of our Commission, seen as a long-range effort to complete the emancipation of more than 50 per cent of the human race which happens to be women, is far reaching in its implications. Our aim is to bring about a social revolution, no less, and one that possesses profound and perhaps unexpressed potentialities.

Just as the fear was expressed before women won the vote in France that if given the vote, they would all vote Conservative and so upset the (then) Socialist government, and just as the fear is now being expressed that Greek women, who do not yet have the vote, might all vote Communist—or at least enough of them to upset the present precarious balance of power—so the contents of this Pandora's box of women's freedom which we hope to let loose upon the world is likely to have unpredictable results.

Men's and women's do not change easily. Yet we are proposing to change them just the same. The timid may remain fearful of the results, but to most of us it is the inevitable march of progress, a continuation of the spirit of the Seneca Falls Women's Rights Convention of 1848, the first women's suffrage convention in the United States.

Cross-section

In our group is to be found, with only one important omission, a cross-section of practically all the major languages, cultures, and legal and social systems of the world. China, Australia, India, Syria, Turkey, Russia, Byelorussia, France, Denmark, Great Britain, Mexico, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Venezuela and the United States, represented on the Commission.

Until our meeting in Beirut in March 1949, there was one important world grouping that was absent from our midst. But fortunately our Commission membership was increased by the addition of one-third of the membership every year, and this year that omission was corrected. In addition to re-electing three of the original group, China, India and Australia, we added two new countries, Greece and Haiti. And, for the first time, a Negro woman enters the group. With her arrival our cross-section becomes complete.

In spite of the different tongues we speak and the difficulty of understanding one another and of communicating our ideas, we are nevertheless all agreed upon our basic principles. "Equality" is a term we all understand. "Freedom" is a word of doubtful meaning to some of us, perhaps. And yet, although we all use it as freely as we use the word of equally doubtful meaning, "democracy," and we all proclaim them both as our goals.

But mere agreement on basic principles already clearly stated in the Charter, is just the beginning of our work. We must evolve a practical programme and implement it by specific proposals in various fields. In order to make such proposals we must first find the facts.

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Sports 'personality': Softball

Miss Gloria Maria Silva



Gloria Maria Silva, the girl with the sunny countenance, all eyes with a smile for every one on the sport arena, first came into prominence in sporting circles not long when she shared in the triple championship honours of the St. Teresa's Open Ladies' Doubles, Ladies' Doubles, and Singles Junior badminton tournament.

Since arriving on the badminton scene, Gloria has not wasted any time in absorbing as much as possible of this sport.

In the St. Teresa's Open Ladies' Doubles, she was a partner in the victorious team and was also runner-up in the Singles.

This season Gloria has been playing under the colours of St. Teresa's "A" team.

Born on October 19, 1928, and the third in a family of seven children, Gloria was a studious girl in her childhood, culminating in a distinctive School Leaving success with honours.

It would not be correct to assume that Gloria is a single sport participant, for Gloria is this year rated quite highly in the Ladies' Softball League, particularly in batting, in which she is currently holding the junior title with an average of 400.

Gloria first took up softball playing for the Madras Bees and last year filled the left field berth for the champion White Sox.

Loyalty to her parish prevailed and this promising player is now registered in the St. Teresa's Blue Sox.

Enjoys swimming

In addition to badminton and softball, Gloria is also quite adept at basket-ball, volleyball and swimming and it is the latter sport that she enjoys most. Gloria has not made headlines in aquatic and the reason for this is that she would rather enjoy the pleasure of just gliding through the water, than to feel that pleasure for the strenuous training necessary for competitions.

In her spare time, while she is not engaged in some sporting activity, Gloria spends her time reading and writing. Gardening is also a favourite pastime for Gloria, who specialises in live and the bamboo. There are also serious moments for this care-free sportswoman and in social life she concentrates on religious activities, being affiliated to the Sodality of the Children of Mary, Catholic Young Ladies Association and the Legion of Mary.

Aces battle Rexes to a 10-all tie

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Although Gerald "Furious" Jones' Aces were out-hit by the powerful Rexes, they made good a seven run deficit by making the most of the breaks of the game, to battle the Rexes to a 10-all tie.

The game was called on account of darkness at the end of the sixth by Plate Umpire Dan Izzott.

Braves blew up in the fifth after playing tight ball, to succumb to Overseas Chinese, 12-3, while Spartans were caught on an off day and narrowly averted a shutout when Blackhaws blasted out 15 hits to triumph 18-1.

Rev. Father A. K. Lam allowed five blows and walked two in the six innings of play, while Aces slasher Reggie Silva passed eight to first base, but was fortunate in having a steadier field behind him. Silva allowed nine hits.

Two bunched up singles aided by two walks in the first inning gave Rexes a two-run lead and they added a cluster of five more tallies in the next chapter on three hits and an outbreak of Aces bunters.

Aces started to score in the third with a four-run uprising when the Rexes field relaxed, and before the Rexes settled down again, a further six runs had dotted rubber in the fourth frame.

Game called

In the fifth and sixth neither side could score, with the evening shadow growing longer, umpire Dan Izzott called the game.

This game will be re-arranged by the Management Committee and will be re-played from the start.

Blackhaws paraded with their hitting suits as they collected a total of 15 safeties off Gaby Blackstone, who had an erratic field in support.

The absence of Bob Hearther, who suited for the State against the game started, made it necessary for Murdo Nicholson to be shifted to the keystone position. While Nicholson guarded

Hong Kong Jockey Club handicaps

The following are the Hong Kong Jockey Club handicaps for the third, fourth and fifth days of the annual race meeting:

3rd Day—7th Race: Tally Ho Handicap From 1/2 Mile Post Class A.

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4th Day—3rd Race: Black Rock Handicap (First Section) Class 3, 1 Mile.

Chief Pilot 152, Fairy Feet 146, Highlight Barred, King of Peace 143, Lana 141, Lili Marlene 149, Lucky Starter Barred, Mix 135, Noonday Sun 135, Pegasus 144, Shun Fung 140, Sportsmaster 154, The Stranger 130.

4th Day—4th Race: Black Rock Handicap (Second Section) Class 3, 1 Mile.

Ascot Beauty 141, Beckenham 154, Empress of Peace 150, Flying Arrow 144, Lady Gloucester 145, Lucky June 147, Marigold 155, Masterpiece 135, My Love 150, Probability 137, Sparkling Star 149, Sunshine 150, Thunderbolt 135, V. I. P. 146.

5th Day—3rd Race: Grandstand Handicap Class 1B, 1 Mile.

Amazon 156, Big Shot 151, Blue Sky 142, Bootsie 154, Chesterfield Barred, Cooper 141, Duchess Delight 147, Golden Dragon 149, Jeep Lee 143, Meteor 152, Pearl Diver 137, Shannon 144.

Badminton innovation

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hong Kong Badminton Association on Friday, it was decided that events for schoolboys and schoolgirls be included in this year's Colony Badminton Championships.

The events will be: Boys' Singles and Doubles and Girls' Singles and Doubles.

The proposal, led by Mr. Denis Hazell, President of the Association, was popularly supported by all present at the meeting on Friday.

The introduction of the students' events, explained Mr. Hazell, was primarily to encourage young blood to take up the game.

One member proposed a school league but this met with constructive opposition by the President, who suggested that the participation of students in the Championships was an experimental idea, it would be prudent to postpone discussion of the inter-school proposition until a later date.

The entries for the Badminton Championships will close on January 31, with the games starting on February 1.

This date is tentative, however, and will be subject to the final decision of the Championships Sub-committee.

Those nominated to serve on the Championships Committee were Mr. Denis Hazell, Mr. David Kwok, Mr. M. A. de Oliveira, and Mr. J. A. (Bills) Soares.

Members voted were: Messrs. Patrick Wong, Au, F. Alves and Bill Funk.

Today's Sport CRICKET

Indian Recreation Club v. M. J. Divecha XI at Sookunpo, 11 a.m. (Friendly).

Dockyard v. Hong Kong University at King's Park, 1.45 p.m. (League).

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Combined Army v. Macao Army, Sookunpo, 4 p.m.

Kwong Wah v. R.F.P., Caroline Hill, 4 p.m. Referee: J. F. Enrie. Linesmen: Cheung Yan-sing and A. Leck.

CAA v. Eastern, Boundary St., 4 p.m. Referee: P. A. Mooney. Linesmen: Liu Ting-ling and A. Ribeiro.

Rit Chee v. Club, Club, 4 p.m. Referee: Shurp; Linesmen: T. J. Rouch and Li Bing-tong. St. Joseph's (bye).

HOCKEY

Association Matches: Nomads v. Chand Tara at King's Park, 10 a.m.; Dutch v. Pak 50 at Sookunpo, 10 a.m.; Recreio "A" v. Commandos at King's Park, 10 a.m.; K.T.C. v. Navy at King's Park, 11.30 a.m.; R.A.F. v. Army at Kai Tak, 11.45 a.m.; HKHC v. YMCA at King's Park, 10 a.m.; University v. Recreio "B" at Pokfulam, 10.30 a.m.

LAWN BOWLS

KBGC v. Hong Kong Defence Force at Bowloon Bowling Green Club, 2.30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

League Matches at King's Park and CBA Ground—Jaguars v. Pandas, 9.30 a.m.; Canadians v. USS Sulbury, Sound, 11 a.m. Paks v. Overseas Chinese, 2 p.m. Chung Hwa v. Darodevils, 3.30 p.m.

At Recreio Ground—Pandas v. St. Teresa's, 11 a.m.; Grims v. Delaware, 12.30 p.m.; Braves v. Cambancheros, 2 p.m.; St. Joseph's v. Americans, 3.30 p.m.

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ARMY HELD TO DRAW BY "OPTIMISTS"

"Scorpions" draw with KCC

HKCC "Optimists" exceeded all expectations yesterday by holding the powerful Army XI to a draw in their First Division League cricket match at Chater Road.

A feature of this game was the brilliant century scored by L. D. Kilbee, who had 101 not out to his credit when the "Optimists" declared their innings closed at 163 for two.

Army had scored 142 for five in reply to this total when stumps were drawn. J. D. Ash, shire and M. Holme each contributed 41 runs.

HKCC "Optimists" exceeded all expectations yesterday by holding the powerful Army XI to a draw in their First Division League cricket match at Chater Road. In reply to KCC's total of 117 for eight, the "Scorpions" had only managed to knock up 41 for eight when stumps were drawn.

The game between Craighower Cricket Club and the "Optimists" was a closely fought one. Craighower first scored 100 runs, to which L. D. Kilbee and E. L. Gosano contributed 33 runs respectively. Craighower had completed 44 runs five in reply when the close was applied.

The "Optimists" then had to follow up their splendid performance of last week and went down to the Royal Air Force at Soekunpo for five wickets.

The "Optimists" had no difficulty in passing this total and scored 142 for four when stumps were drawn. Charles was top scorer for the "Optimists" with 35.

FIRST DIVISION

"Optimists"—Army

At Chater Road yesterday, HKCC "Optimists" drew with the Army in their First Division League cricket match. Taking in 41 runs of the wicket, the "Optimists" declared at 163 for two wickets. L. D. Kilbee scored 101 not out while N. E. Arthy hit up 35.

The Army bowler, K. G. M. Kenzie, obtained both Optimist wickets for 14 runs.

The Army batsmen managed to score 142 runs for the loss of five wickets at the dropping of stumps.

J. Derbyshire and M. Holme scored 41 runs while J. Salaman was not out with 35 runs to his credit.

"Optimists" N. E. Arthy, c. Graveston, b. McKenzie 33
L. D. Kilbee not out 101
R. MacPherson, b. McKenzie 3
G. H. Pritchard not out 20
Extras 20

Total (for two wickets) dec. 163
N. Thessan-Endler, A. E. Perry, T. P. Mahon, W. J. Slagter, H. H. Rankine, A. L. Smith and F. Van Oorde did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Corfield 11 3 45 0
Cottle 6 26 0 1
Mitchell 6 11 0 1
McKenzie 4 14 2 2
Hedley 5 13 0 0

Army
M. Maynard, b. Mahon 0
J. Derbyshire, c. Perry, b. Mahon 41
G. Tomlin, c. MacPherson, b. Van Oorde 10
J. Salaman not out 35
M. Holme, c. Kilbee, b. Arthy 41
K. Hedley, b. Mahon 10
P. Graveston not out 3
Extras 20

Total (for five wickets) 142
R. C. Corfield, W. J. Cottle, W. M. Mitchell and K. G. McKenzie did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Mahon 13 4 45 3
Pritchard 4 1 11 0
Van Oorde 3 18 1 1
Smith 6 33 0 3
Arthy 5 32 1 1

KCC—"Scorpions"

The Kowloon Cricket Club re-declared themselves somewhat by holding the favoured HKCC "Optimists" to a draw in a First Division League cricket match at Cox's Road yesterday.

The KCC team were really unlucky not to win. Batting first, they knocked up 117 runs for eight wickets and then sportingly declared at 350 runs.

The "Scorpions" had only completed 41 runs for eight wickets when stumps were drawn.

KCC's effort was largely due to the excellent all-round performance of F. R. Kermann. With 32 runs, Kermann was the highest scorer for his side and when KCC went in to field, Kermann skilfully held five of the "Scorpions" most able batsmen—Stokes, Kerr, Walker, Pearce and Owen-Hughes—cheaply.

Kermann's final averages stand five wickets for 14 runs.

Frank Howarth's five wickets for 26 runs included W. M. Davidson, and he was the only "Scorpion" bowler to have any effect with the ball. Owen-Hughes' single wicket cost him 26 runs, while the remaining wicket was taken by Cull for 11.

KCC's bowling was the main cause of the "Scorpion" collapse. Apart from Kermann, R. E. Lee, S. Leonard and Owen-Hughes, the "Scorpions" bowlers were not too effective.

W. H. Collidge, b. Howarth 9
W. M. Davidson, b. Howarth 9
A. Ziemann, c. Howarth, b. Howarth 0
J. Lenton, b. Howarth 5
N. Hunt, b. Kerr, b. Howarth 0
F. R. Kermann, c. Stokes, b. Howarth 32
J. V. Sellers, b. Cull 5
C. P. Smith, b. Howarth 10
E. C. Fletcher, not out 12
R. E. Lee, not out 24
D. H. Williams, did not bat 13
Extras 20

Total (for eight wickets) dec. 117
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Cull 6 2 11 1
Howarth 22 9 35 5
Pearce 7 2 18 0
Walker 3 14 0 1
Owen-Hughes 6 1 20 1
Extras 20

"Scorpions"
I. F. Stokes, c. Hart-Baker, b. Kermann 11
G. J. Kerr, c. Williams, b. Kermann 0
F. A. Walker, c. Ziemann, b. Kermann 6
T. A. Pearce, c. and b. Kermann 5
H. Owen-Hughes, c. Ziemann, b. Kermann 0
O. Driscoll, c. Davidson, b. Smith 3
H. M. Newton, b. Lee 7
H. S. Cull, b. Lee 2
F. Howarth, not out 4
R. H. Hughes, not out 1
J. G. McFarlane, did not bat 6
Extras 20

Total (for eight wickets) 47
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
C. P. Smith 9 3 19 1
Kermann 7 2 14 5
Lee 4 2 7 2
Hart-Baker 2 1 1 0

CCC—Recreo
The Craighower Cricket Club held Club de Recreo, last year's champions, to a draw in their Division League cricket encounter at Happy Valley yesterday.

The visitors batted first and were all out for 109 runs. Billimoria was in deadly form with the ball and obtained five Recreo wickets for 5 runs.

Top scorers for Recreo were L. G. Gosano and E. L. Gosano, both with 33 runs.

On their turn to bat, Craighower had completed 74 runs for the loss of five wickets when stumps were drawn due to falling light.

D. Readman scored 19 and G. Souza 15 while S. Leonard was undefeated with 14.

E. L. Gosano was the best Recreo bowler obtaining two wickets for 20 runs in 15 overs.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Billimoria 13 2 15 5
Greenblade 2 12 1 1
Crabtree 7 2 10 1
Ragil 4 2 25 1

Craighower
G. Hong Choy, c. and b. E. L. Gosano 9
D. Readman, c. Ozorio, b. E. L. Gosano 19
K. M. Rurnahn, b. G. N. Gosano 10
G. A. Souza, c. Remedios, b. Ozorio 15
P. R. Ragil, run out 14
S. Leonard, not out 14
A. H. Ragil, not out 3
Extras 20

Total (for five wickets) 74
J. France, H. Greenblade, P. J. Billimoria and T. Crabtree did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
E. L. Gosano 15 4 20 2
G. N. Gosano 12 2 30 1
H. L. Ozorio 4 21 1 1

IRC—RAF
The First Division League cricket match between the Indian Recreation Club and the Royal Air Force played at Soekunpo yesterday ended in a win for the RAF by five wickets.

The RAF batted first, and could only score 81 against the deadly bowling of J. G. Tyrer, who obtained six wickets in 84 overs, while leaving away 20 runs.

Top scorers were A. R. Kitchell with 40 runs, while A. H. Madan contributed 29.

The RAF easily passed the Indian team's total with five wickets in hand, in spite of A. R. Kitchell, who took four wickets for 44 runs in 7 overs.

Top scorers for the RAF were C. A. Ball with 16, while A. D. Stanton scored 15, and M. D. Marshall 14 not out.

IRC
A. R. Kitchell, b. Tyrer 40
J. Ali, c. Marshall, b. Vaughan 1
A. R. Abbas, c. Tyrer, b. Ball 1
A. H. Madan, b. Gambrell 29
A. H. Baker, c. A. D. Stanton, b. Tyrer 1
A. H. Esnail, c. Ball, b. Gambrell 1
Y. M. Mohddeen, b. Tyrer 3
F. M. el Arculli, c. Ball, b. Tyrer 1
Extras 20

Total (for five wickets) 81
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
J. G. Tyrer 84 2 81 6
E. N. Gambrell 9 2 20 2
K. C. A. Ball 5 0 25 1
R. H. Vaughan 6 1 10 1
M. D. Marshall 1 0 1 0

RAF
E. C. Dunn, c. Razack, b. Abbas 1
K. C. A. Ball, c. Arculli, b. Abbas 1
E. J. Moonhouse, b. Abbas 10
A. D. Panton, c. and b. Kitchell 15
G. A. Cunningham, c. Esnail, b. Abbas 33
E. N. Gambrell, not out 14
M. D. Marshall, not out 13
Extras 20

Total (for five wickets) 81
D. M. Gail, J. Cross, R. H. Vaughan and J. G. Tyrer did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Abbas 10 4 4 4
F. M. el Arculli 4 0 0 4
A. R. Kitchell 5 1 12 1
A. H. Madan 1 0 10 1
I. M. Omar 2 0 0 1

SECOND DIVISION
Recreo—KCC
The Kowloon Cricket Club potential Second Division League champions, went a step further in the league when they defeated the Club de Recreo by 90 runs.

The winners batted first and knocked up a respectable total of 148 for nine wickets declared, which their hosts were only able to reply with 58 runs.

Guterres's two wickets cost him 48 runs. Alves also captured two wickets but had 30 knocked off him. A. R. Osmund, who at times steadied down KCC's batting spree, claimed four wickets for 28.

KCC had just an easy time on the field as they had at bat. A. T. Lee and D. G. White (whose 3 runs not out featured the match) played havoc with the Portuguese batsmen. Lee claimed five wickets for 17 runs, while White captured three and gave away 20 runs.

KCC
F. A. Broadbridge, c. Noronha, b. Osmund 2
A. Lee, b. Guterres 1
V. C. Bond, c. Noronha, b. Osmund 1
E. Randall, c. Remedios, b. Alves 23
A. Lee, c. Lopes, b. Osmund 1
C. J. Smith, c. Alves, b. Guterres 11
D. G. White, not out 39
R. G. Labrum, c. E. A. R. Alves 2
R. N. Manley, run out 0
G. Ross-let, b. Osmund 1
E. Guest, not out 1
Extras 20

Total (for nine wickets) dec. 148
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Welch 8 2 20 2
Owen 7 1 20 1
Hitchcock 4 0 19 1
Dean 6 0 37 3
Mustow 2 0 3 1

Commandos
Welch, b. Maylor 7
Harraway, c. b. Coles 43
Savoy, b. Maylor 1
Mustow, b. Coles 5
Phillips, retired 31
Dowling, b. Willey 0
Dean, b. Willey 0
Aldridge, b. Willey 0
Owen, b. Willey 0
Reche, b. Coles 0
Hitchcock, not out 0
Extras 20

Total (for nine wickets) dec. 111
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Welch 8 2 20 2
Owen 7 1 20 1
Hitchcock 4 0 19 1
Dean 6 0 37 3
Mustow 2 0 3 1

IRA—IRC
In a Second Division League cricket match played at Kai Tak yesterday, the IRA drew with their hosts, RAF.

Batting first, RAF declared at 153 for four wickets. G. West scored 52 not out while B. Cooper contributed 43.

The IRA took two wickets for 32 runs.

IRA were eight wickets down for 90 runs when stumps were drawn. Tomson was 15, D. Bux, who scored 54 before being given out by A. T. Harman, contributed 16 to IRA's total.

J. Hurst obtained three wickets at the expense of 17 runs.

RAF
J. R. Crellin, run out 14
E. Norman, b. A. Ebrahim 13
B. Cooper, b. T. Ebrahim 52
G. West, not out 52
A. Park, c. A. Ebrahim 14
J. Hurst, not out 17
Extras 12

Total (for four wickets) dec. 153
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Baker, E. Parsons and E. A. Barnes did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Motiwalla 7 2 20 2
A. Ebrahim 8 2 32 1
J. Ebrahim 6 2 30 1
K. Lohchand 3 1 8 0
S. F. Chagla 3 1 11 0
M. Sany 2 11 0 0

IRC
S. D. Bux, b. Crellin 54
M. Hanan, c. and b. J. Hurst 13
R. A. Bux, c. E. A. Ebrahim 10
A. T. Harman, run out 16
A. R. Razack, b. Davenport 2
T. E. Ebrahim, c. Cooper, b. Hurst 0
Y. Motiwalla, b. Hurst 0
M. Sany, b. Davenport 2
S. F. Chagla, not out 0
A. Ebrahim, not out 11
Extras 11

Total (for eight wickets) dec. 163
Bowling Analysis
O M R W
Davenport 13 4 32 2
Hurst 10 4 17 3
Parsons 3 1 17 1
West 2 1 12 0
Crellin 3 1 17 1

K. Lohchand did not bat.

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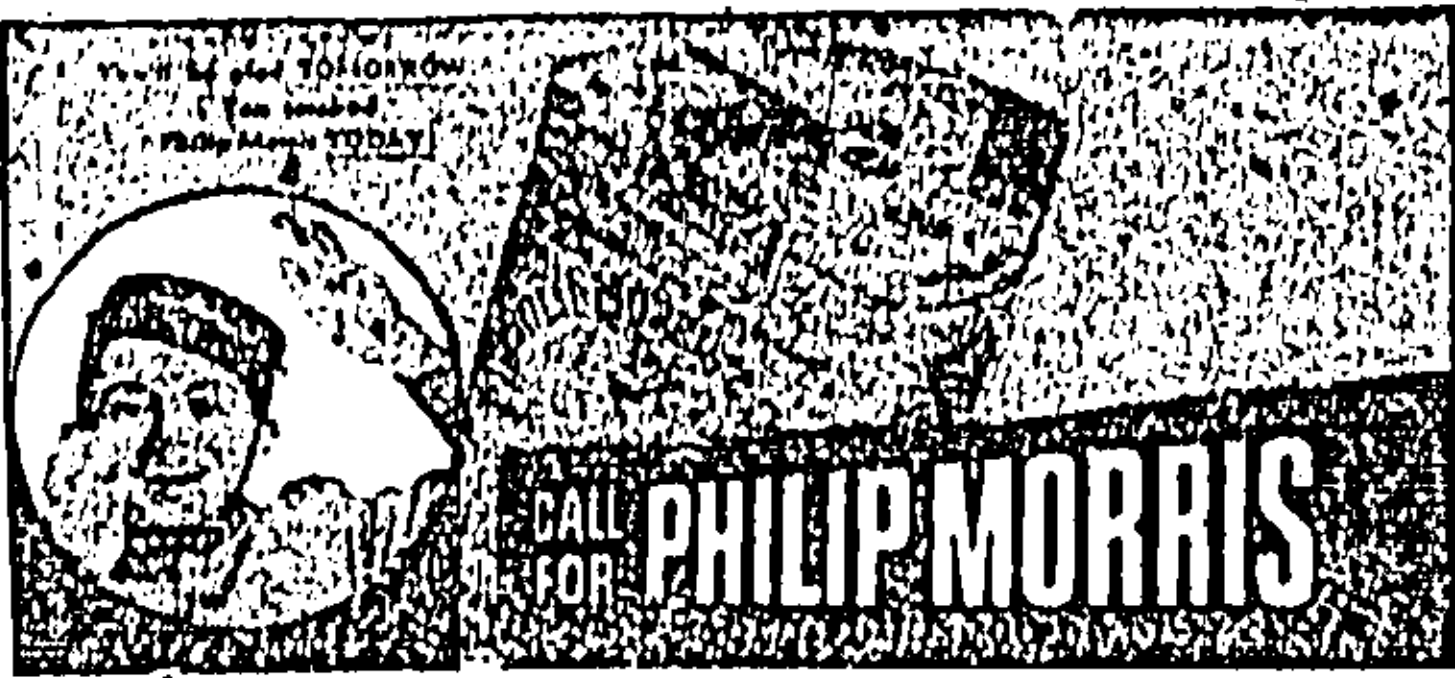
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KENTUCKY LADY WINS CHINESE CLUB CUP

The first day of the 1950 annual race meeting opened yesterday at Happy Valley in fine weather, but the attendance was not as large as expected, due probably to stoppage of the tram service. Australian subscription ponies of 1950 made their debut and gave a fairly good account of themselves, though racing times were by no means startling.

The first race of the day, the Kentucky Lady, was won by the Australian subscription pony, "China Mail", ridden by V. V. Needa, in a time of 1:44.2. The second race, the Victoria Handicap, was won by the Australian subscription pony, "China Mail", ridden by V. V. Needa, in a time of 1:44.2.

Victoria Handicap (first section)

Race 2—For Australian Ponies Class A. From the 13 mile post (about 3 mile 170 yards).
1. Highbright, 2. Sunshine, 3. Breeze, 4. Lark, 5. Dancer, 6. Flash, 7. Thunder, 8. Storm, 9. Lightning, 10. Fire, 11. Ice, 12. Wind, 13. Rain, 14. Sun, 15. Moon, 16. Stars, 17. Planets, 18. Comets, 19. Meteors, 20. Shooting Stars, 21. Auroras, 22. Halos, 23. Glories, 24. Rainbows, 25. Clouds, 26. Fog, 27. Mist, 28. Dew, 29. Frost, 30. Snow, 31. Hail, 32. Sleet, 33. Rain, 34. Wind, 35. Sun, 36. Moon, 37. Stars, 38. Planets, 39. Comets, 40. Meteors, 41. Shooting Stars, 42. Auroras, 43. Halos, 44. Glories, 45. Rainbows, 46. Clouds, 47. Fog, 48. Mist, 49. Dew, 50. Frost, 51. Snow, 52. Hail, 53. Sleet, 54. Rain, 55. Wind, 56. Sun, 57. Moon, 58. Stars, 59. Planets, 60. Comets, 61. Meteors, 62. Shooting Stars, 63. Auroras, 64. Halos, 65. Glories, 66. Rainbows, 67. Clouds, 68. Fog, 69. Mist, 70. Dew, 71. Frost, 72. Snow, 73. Hail, 74. Sleet, 75. Rain, 76. Wind, 77. Sun, 78. Moon, 79. Stars, 80. Planets, 81. Comets, 82. Meteors, 83. Shooting Stars, 84. Auroras, 85. Halos, 86. Glories, 87. 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